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OF FOREIGN AIR PERIL

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.
A WARNING THAT THE FEVERISH EXPANSION OF THEIR MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL AIR FLEETS BY FOREIGN NATIONS IS CHALLENGING AMERICA'S LEADERSHIP IN AVIATION, IS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT TO CONGRESS BY THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AVIATION.

The Committee, of which Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and Mr. Orville Wright (the aviation pioneer) are members, insists that effectiveness of design is more important than mere numbers of aircraft.

PRODUCTION INCREASE

It says that it is vital from the standpoint of national defence that America have aircraft equal or superior in performance than a potential enemy.

The Report recommends that the production of American planes be increased, more funds appropriated for aeronautical research and experiments be continued with lighter-than-air craft.—Reuter.

GENERALISSIMO STRENGTHENS LEADERSHIP

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.
CONFERENCES ARE TAKING PLACE HERE AT PRESENT BETWEEN MARSHAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK AND GOVERNORS, AS WELL AS MILITARY CHIEFS OF CHINESE SOUTH-WEST PROVINCES.

At the first discussion on Sunday with General Teng Shih-hou, "Pacification Commissioner" of Szechan Province, and General Wang Chie-shu, Governor of Szechuan Province, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is reported to have stated his decision to accelerate increase of defence measures.

With due regard to the imminent establishment of civil guards and self-protection corps, it is planned to reorganize the Szechuan provincial forces.

Foreign observers point out indication of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's desire to link up Szechuan troops more closely to the Central

SMUGGLING OF PLANES TO LOYALIST SPAIN

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A REPORT ON THE CONTROL OF TRADE IN WAR MATERIALS OF EVERY KIND INCLUDING CIVIL AIRPLANES AND HELIUM GAS, WAS SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT YESTERDAY.

From December 1, 1937 to November 30, 1938, states the report, 5,200 export licenses representing a total value of 94 million dollars were issued.

Of this amount, 72 million dollars represents export of airplanes.

Greatest exports, as measured by value, went to England, the Dutch East Indies, China, Japan, Argentine and France. Even to Soviet Russia, war material was exported to the value of over two million dollars, while Germany imported from America war material to the value of but U.S.\$190,000.

Total value of all war material imported by the United States amounted to U.S.\$478,000 of which U.S.\$99,000 dollars came from Germany.

50 PLANES SMUGGLED

The report of the State Department deals exhaustively with numerous cases in which the Republican Spanish Ambassador in Mexico or other Spanish agents attempted to smuggle out airplanes via Mexico or Canada and France to Republican Spain in contravention of the American export embargo. In almost all such cases the United

States Government succeeded in discovering the attempted evasion before an export license had been issued.

Altogether—so the report states—50 aeroplanes were shipped to Spain by roundabout routes.

NO HELIUM FOR GERMANY

Concerning the export of helium gas, the reports that a license, formerly granted to Germany for the import of helium, expired on November 1, 1938 because the American Minister for Home Affairs, Mr. Ickes, who alone was competent, refused a permit.

The report also states that as regards the export of helium gas, the Philippines was treated as a foreign country and regulations about the export of helium altered accordingly because otherwise helium might have been shipped to Manila and from there, contrary to the instructions of the United States, sold to other states.—Trans-Ocean.

GUERILLAS MOVE ON BOCCA TIGRIS

Szewui, Kwangtung, To-day.

Bocca Tigris, the gateway on the Pearl River to Canton, now under Japanese occupation has come into the attention of Chinese guerillas who have been recently reorganised and under a unified command.

A unit of these elusive fighters is reported to have reached Wongkong, approximately midway between Bocca Tigris and Po On and to be pushing their way to the strategic forts. Taiping, about 40 miles northwest of Po On, is also threatened.

The Japanese were repulsed on Sunday in another attack on Kamlee, seven and a half miles to the south of Samshui. After their abortive attempt to take the town, they sent a squadron of 38 planes to subject it to severe bombing. At least 100 explosives were dumped indiscriminately, reducing rows of houses to a shambles.

Units of Japanese troops are said to be concentrated at Ngohci, to the east of Kongmoon. An invasion of the latter district is feared. — Central News.

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DROWNED CHIEF ENGINEER

The body of Charles Christian, chief engineer of the s.s. Deslock, which, as reported in the first edition of the "China Mail" this morning, was found off Kowloon Dock, was discovered by Detective-Sergeant J. F. Scott in the course of his routine harbour patrol.

The discovery was made at 9 o'clock this morning.

Government at Chungking.

The same observers believe that in spite of the departure from Chungking of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, former vice-president of the Kuomintang, the position of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and the Central Chinese Government in Chungking is now even stronger than before. — Trans-Ocean.

THE NIGHT OF THE LONG KNIVES

HITLER'S power rested on the Street.

It is the most fearful (because the least responsible) of all Empires. The Roman brothers Gracchi, Rienzi, our own Wat Tyler, France's Danton and Boulanger, Russia's Father Gapon — or again our A. J. Cook — proved the fickleness of the mob towards its leader.

Hitler resolved to sell out—before the mob-empire crucified him.

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Storm Troop Chief-of-Staff Ernst Rohm, squat, pock-marked, battle-scarred, brilliant "soldier with civilian courage," had really only one idea in his bullet-head.

It was as simple—and disastrous—as that which filled the brain of the first Frederick of Prussia. To go on adding soldiers.

By the spring of 1934 Rohm had brought the strength of the Storm Troops to close upon 3,000,000 men.

Storm Troops Brown Outside, Red Inside

Rohm considered men as cannon fodder. He did not ask for their pedigree, but simply, "Will they fight?" After the Reichstag Fire and the proscription of the Communist Red Front and the Socialist Reichsbanner the Left fighters poured into the Brownshirt army. So that it was said, "The Storm Troops are like a good beefsteak, brown outside, red inside."

In this Rohm pursued his old idea with the tenacity of a man who loves one woman. He conceived the Storm Troops as the auxiliary of the Reichswehr in the coming war of revenge against the French. The Reichswehr continued to reject the idea of swallowing this vast traditionless half-armed mass. Rohm continued to swell his numbers until one day he could demand that his "Militia of the Streets" should swallow the Reichswehr Hitler, who had only wanted the Brownshirts to be a political army until he could take control of the real army of the Reichswehr, began to take fright.

Like every Dictator he grew "respectable," despising anyway the origins he constantly boasted of. And fearing them! Hitler had not come to power as a Conservative, but as a revolutionary radical. The "Militia of the Streets" remained revolutionary and radical. They chafed, waiting for permission to "clean up the streets," by which they meant massacre the Jews and loot the capitalists. They were thrown only a few Jews.

In June 1933 three months after he had been confirmed in power as Chancellor Hitler announced "the National Revolution is at an end." The National-Socialist Storm Troops continued to cherish the idea of the Second and Socialist Revolution.



Young Karl Ernst, who believed the guard had mutinied, cried, "Heil Hitler!" as the death volley broke.

The impending death of Hindenburg loomed up. Who would succeed the veteran President?

Hitler, of course, had decided to succeed. But for this post, which carried the supreme command, he needed the loyalty of the Reichswehr.

The Story Behind "MEIN KAMPF"



They shot Von Schleicher down at breakfast. They shot his wife down too.

The Reichswehr pointedly refused to recognise the Storm Troops. As rearmament increased and the need for more soldiers grew, the Reichswehr were glad to draw upon the more or less disciplined reserve formed by the Storm Troops. But they resolutely refused to incorporate the Brownshirts in units. Every man must join the Reichswehr as an individual soldier and submit to all the rigours of traditional Prussian discipline.

By the beginning of June Hitler was speaking of "this fifth Brown-shirt clique. Six months before he had written to "dear Ernst Rohm" to thank him for "imperishable services" and to describe him gratefully as "my friend and fellow fighter." By the end of June he would be describing him as vile. "Their conduct was such that it was impossible to invite them to any house or to cross the threshold of the chief of staff," Rohm was a notorious homo-sexual, but Hitler had known that for ten years.

Meantime others unconsciously were creating the conditions of Rohm's end. Von Papen, the Nationalist Vice-chancellor whom Hitler had outwitted busily schemed, burrowing in the old conservative warrens against the regime.

Knives And Ropes-Ditties Of Death

The anti-Jewish pogrom offended the gentry of the Right. They found disgusting the Storm Troops' chorus. "Let Jewish blood spurt under the knife." A great deal more unsatisfactory was:

Whet the long knives on the pavement.

Plunge the knives in Parson's body.

And when the hour of vengeance comes

We'll be there for any slaughter. Finally impossible was the irreverent ditty:

Hoist high the Hohenzollerns on the lamp-post!

Let the dogs dangle till down they fall.

Hang every black swine in the synagogue.

Hurl the hand-grenades into the kirk!

At Marburg on June 17 Herr von Papen lectured the Nazis on the shortcomings of their dictatorship. Frantically Goebbels shrieked back, "Ridiculous dwarfs! Wretched outsiders! The nation has not forgotten the days when these fine gentlemen ruled from their easy chairs!"

But Hindenburg sent Von Papen a telegram of congratulation.

Toiling ceaselessly also was ex-Reichswehr General Kurt von Schleicher who had also been dished by Hitler.

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Rohm went off on furlough. He hoped to relieve his liver of the afflictions which his drunkenness imposed upon it.

Before departing, in a general order to the Storm Troops he scoffed at talk of disbanding them. Enemies who chattered thus would receive "a fitting answer at such time and in such form as is necessary. The Storm-battalions are, and remain, German's destiny!" Rohm then gave himself up to a few days of debauchery at Heidelberg before taking his cure. For June 30 he called a conference of Brownshirt chiefs, to which he invited Hitler.

At 2 a.m. Hitler, who had been staying in his favourite hotel at Bad

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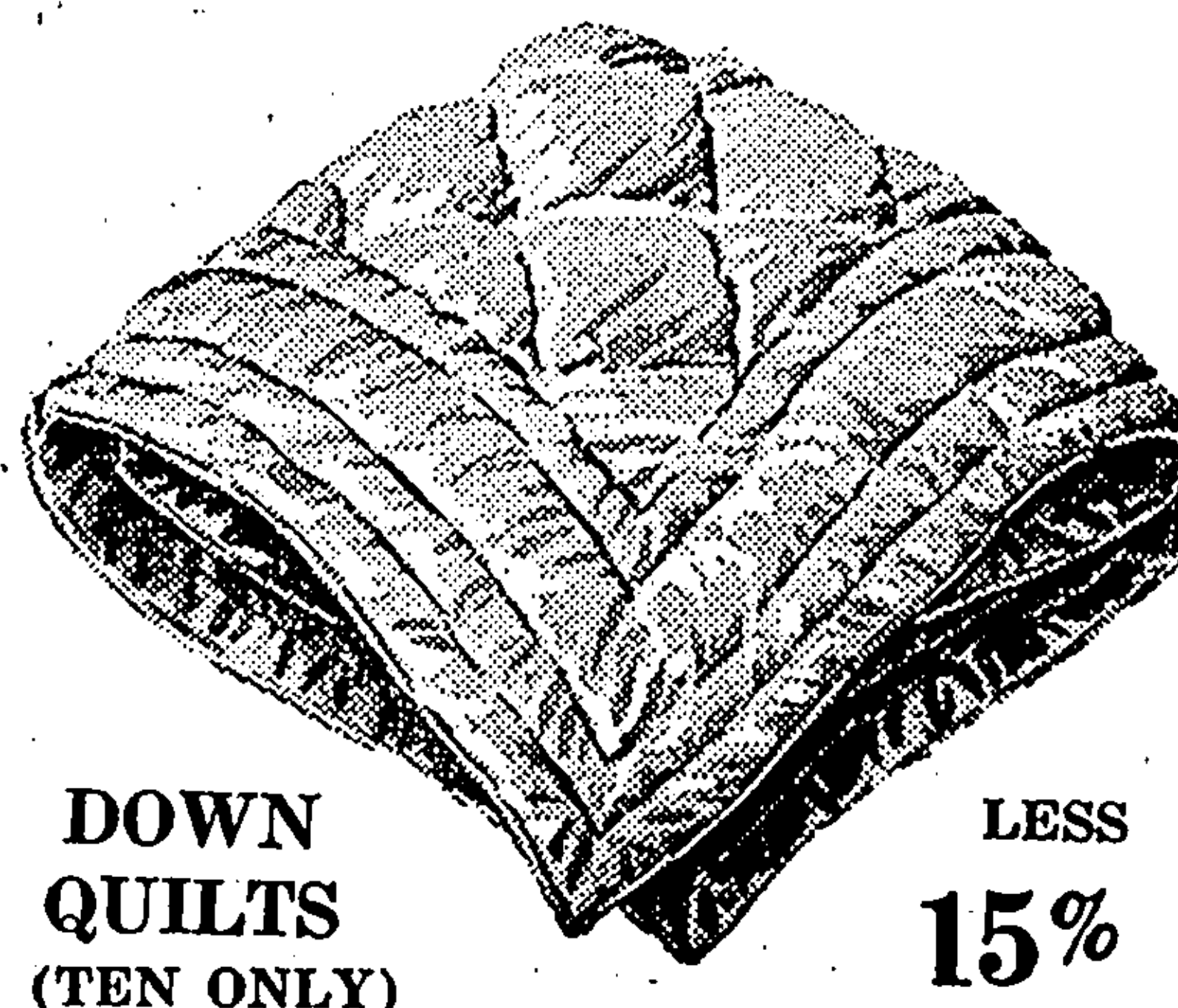
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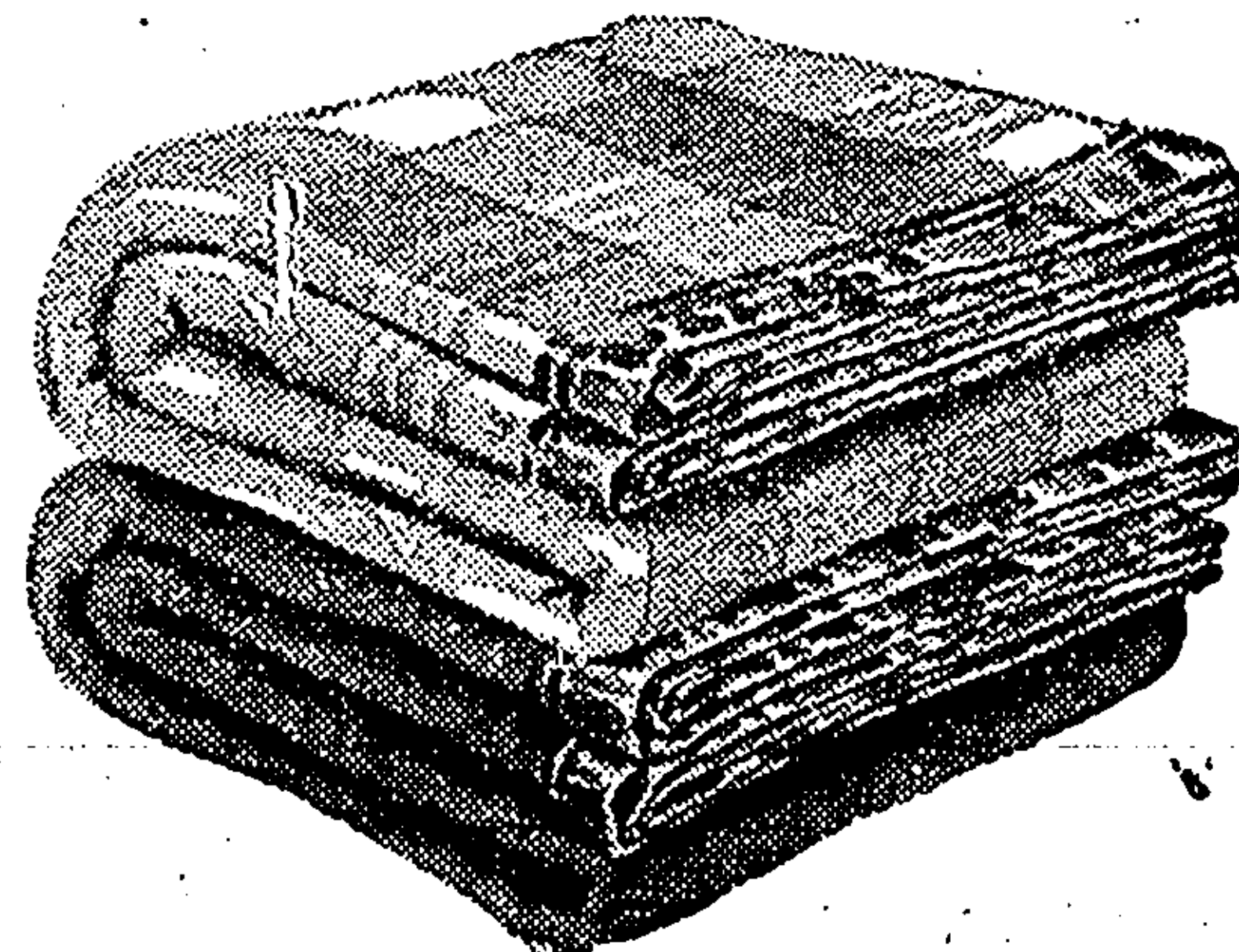
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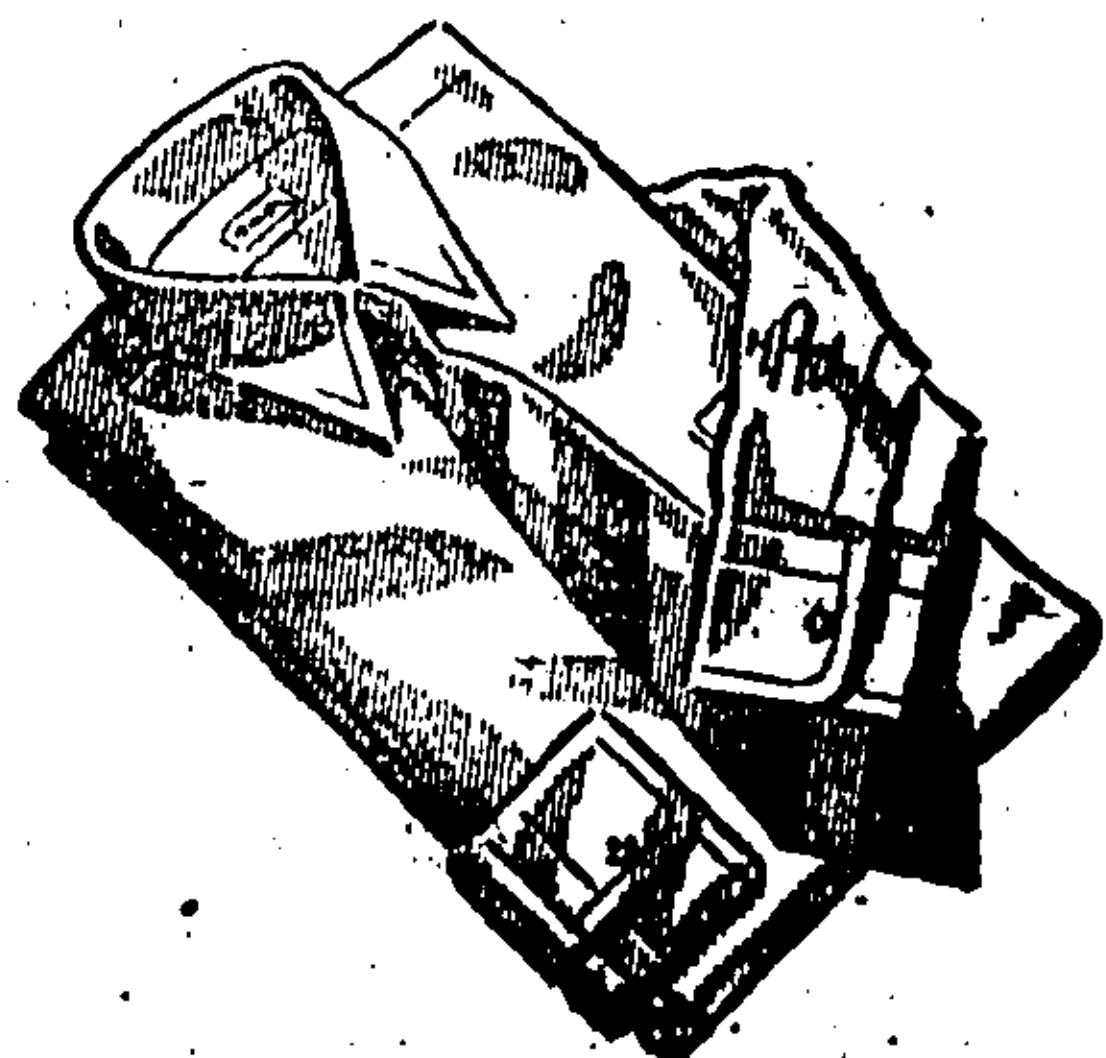
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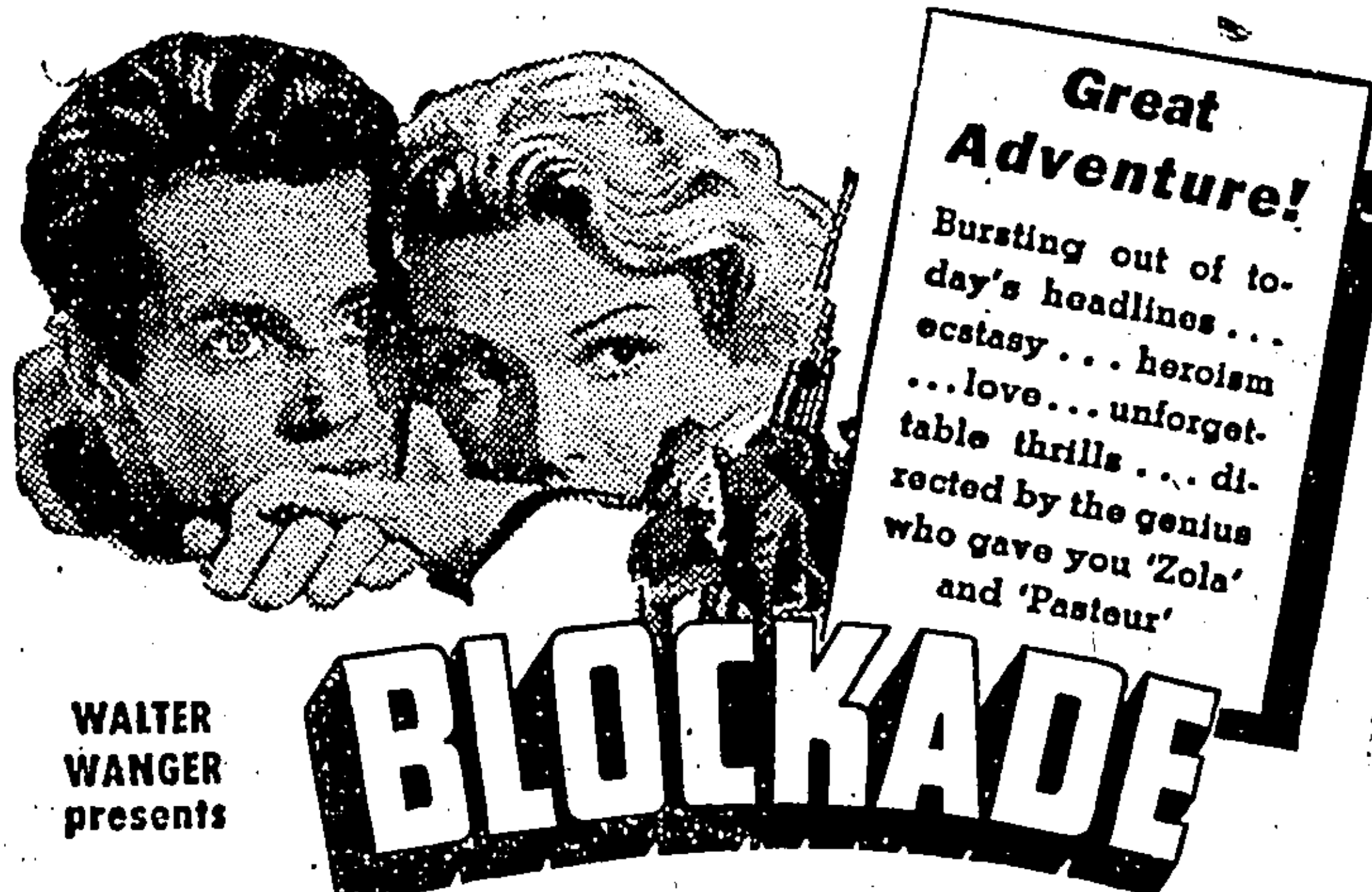
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TO-MORROW: "TREASURE ISLAND"

BIRCHING FOR SNATCHER

Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy imposed three months' hard labour as well as an additional eight strokes of the cane on a snatcher, Leung Ming, aged 21, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to snatching a pair of earrings from a woman.

Accused, said Det.-Sgt. J. Johnston, was first arrested by a night soil coolie who chased him from Portland Street in Yaumati district through several other streets, in Tung Choi Street, Mong Kok, immediately after the snatching at about noon yesterday, but was released.

Witness met the victim and a Chinese detective shortly afterwards. At about 9.30 p.m. accused was met by the same witness in front of the Mong Kok Theatre and was re-arrested.

SUMMONSES AGAINST R.A.F. OFFICER

Two summonses against Flying Officer Allen, of the R.A.F., were adjourned for a week by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning.

Flying Officer Allen was charged with not having full control over the vehicle and driving without due care and caution in Nathan Road at 9.20 p.m. on December 14.

ESCAPING CHINESE SOLDIER SHOT

Another attempt to escape from the Matacheong Camp by interned Chinese soldiers was made last night, in the course of which an escaping prisoner was shot.

The man is now in Kowloon Hospital where his condition is reported to be serious.

On Christmas Eve, one man was killed and another bayoneted by a Kumaon Rifles sentry, while one of the prisoners made good his escape.

BANISHEE SENTENCED

Cheung Kam-sing, aged 32, tailor, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of return to the Colony, after he was banished for a period of ten years since October 24, 1933.

Defendant said that he was here to see his sick mother.

Professor Digby lost a rug, valued \$50, from his car somewhere between Queen Mary Hospital and the Peak yesterday.

JOHN MANNERS EMPLOYEES REMANDED

At the request of the Police, four employees of John Manners and Co., of No. 7, Queen's Road C., were remanded for three days by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning at Kowloon.

Accused were Cheng Sai-lo, 42, coolie foreman, Lai Sui-tsin, 36, godown keeper, Lee Yat-san, 36, godown watchman, and Hong Wai-man, 25, godown watchman.

First defendant was charged with larceny of 15 tons of coal from the Company's coal yard which was situated on the sea front near Tung Kun Street, Yaumati, on or before December 15, while the other three accused were charged with conspiracy.

RAID ON GAMBLING DEN

Caught in a house in Kai Yan Road, Kowloon City, at a late hour last night during a police raid, thirteen coolies were charged this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon with keeping a common gambling school or with gambling.

Admitting the charges, Tse Cheong, 35, the keeper, was fined \$50 while the twelve other gamblers were each fined \$1. The table money, \$2.89, was confiscated for the Poor Box.

NO MUZZLE

Mr. P. B. Allam, of Prince Edward Road, was this morning fined \$5 by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon for allowing his dog to wander in Embankment Road without a muzzle and a lead on December 20.

Two similar summonses against Mrs. Shand, of Somerset Road, and Miss Tung Mo-yin, of Yim Po-fong Road, who pleaded not guilty, were adjourned.

Mr. P. Barten, residing at Gloucester Hotel, was fined \$16 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy when he admitted two summons of parking his car in excess of the time limit allowed in the Charter Road Car Park on December 24 and 28.



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Mr. Hull's Appeal Affects Plane Exports To Japan

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY: THE APPEAL OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. CORDELL HULL, TO AMERICAN AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS NOT TO EXPORT PLANES OR BOMBS TO COUNTRIES WHOSE ARMED FORCES ARE ACCUSED OF BOMBING CIVILIAN POPULATIONS, HAS BEEN ALMOST COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL IN PREVENTING SUCH AMERICAN SUPPLIES REACHING JAPAN.

This is according to the Annual Report of the National Munitions Control Board.

Mr. Hull's appeal for voluntary co-operation by manufacturers, was issued on July 1, since when exports of aircraft to Japan have been negligible, although they totalled nearly U.S.\$9,000,000 in the first six months of the year.

ONE EXCEPTION

According to the Report of the Board, there was only one notable exception among manufacturers agreeing to the Government's policy.

The Report discloses that Britain was the largest purchaser of munitions in 1938, with a total of U.S.\$29,611,000, consisting mainly of military and non-military planes.

Other purchases included the Netherlands East Indies (\$10,000,000), Japan (\$9,241,000), China (\$9,180,000), the Argentine (\$7,219,000), France (\$6,446,000) and Canada (\$3,171,000).—Reuter.

AIR MISSION'S STRATEGICAL IMPORTANCE

London, To-day.

The great strategic importance of the British air mission to Australia is emphasised by Reuter's air correspondent.

The correspondent states that Australian aircraft production is designed to meet Australia's own defence needs, and in case of emergency the needs of New Zealand and part of the Singapore requirements.

Thus subsequently there would be adequate production at both ends of the Empire air route. — Reuter.

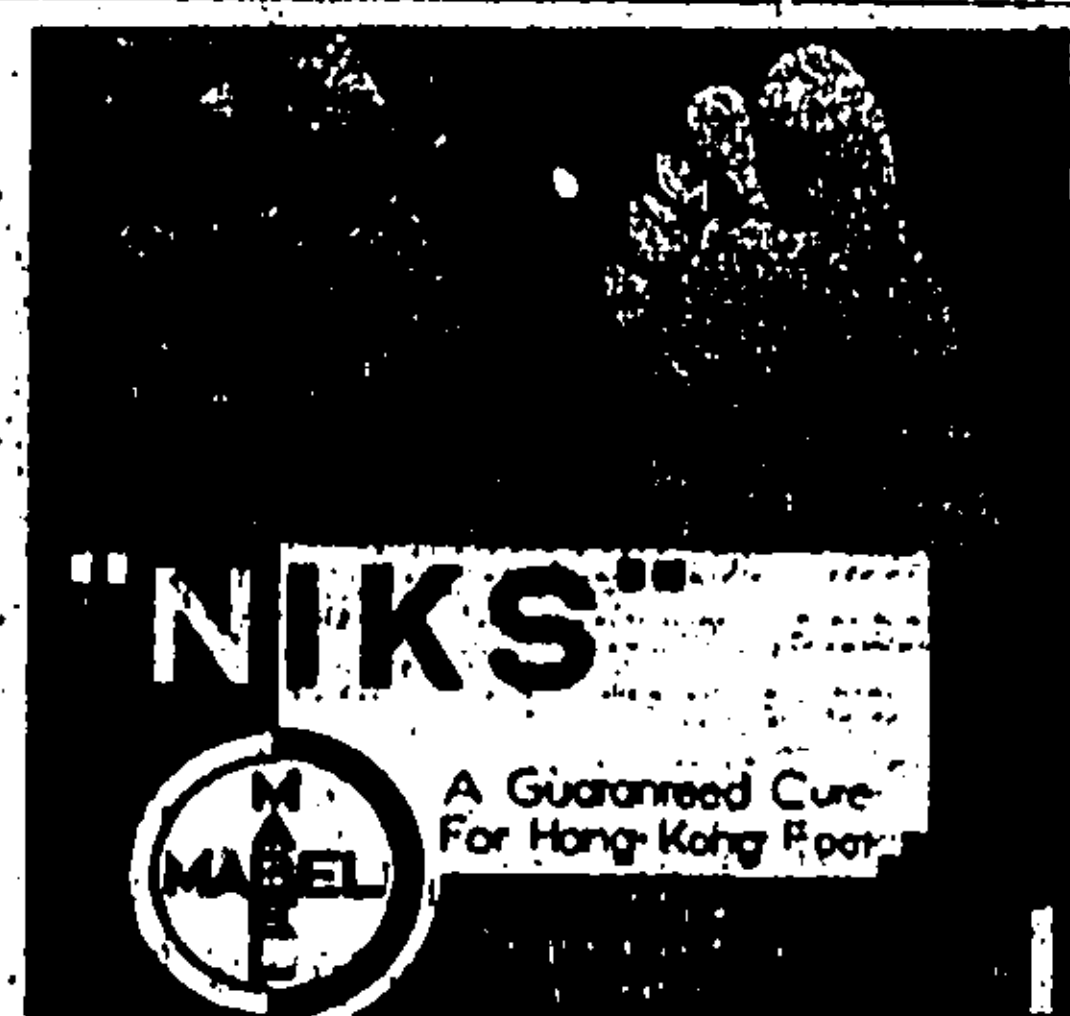
FIRE IN COAL MINE UNDER THE SEA

London, To-day.

A fire broke out yesterday in a Cumberland coal mine under the sea off Whitehaven.

One hundred miners who were at work at the time struggled to safety and returned later with respirators to fight the blaze.

The outbreak was eventually brought under control.



IMPERIAL AIRWAYS RECORD

London, To-day.

Imperial Airways liner Falcon broke another commercial record yesterday when she flew from Croydon to Brussels in 48 minutes at an average speed of 250 miles an hour.

The liner carried eleven passengers, a crew of four and a ton of freight.

Previous record for the same journey was 53 minutes.—Reuter.

TWELVE RESIGNATIONS IN TOKYO

Tokyo, To-day.

All twelve Parliamentary Vice-Ministers have tendered their resignations in consequence of the reconstruction of the Cabinet.

The resignations have been accepted and successors will, it is stated, be appointed next week.

All eight advisers of the Cabinet, including the Chairman of the Minseito Party, Mr. Chuji Machida, and the President of the South Manchurian Railway, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, have likewise resigned but according to the semi-official news agency their resignations were not accepted by the Hiranuma Cabinet and they will therefore remain in office.—Trans-Ocean.

ARREST OF WANG CHING-WEI URGED

It is reliably learned that General Huang Hsu-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, and the Provincial Commissioners, have jointly sent telegrams to the National Government, the Central Kuomintang Headquarters and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in Chungking and the Chairmen of various provincial governments, urging the arrest of Wang Ching-wei for defection.—Central News.

BRITON FOUND DROWNED

The body of Charles Christian, chief engineer of the steamer "Deslock," who had been missing since last week, was found floating off Kowloon Dock this morning.

The body was in an advanced state of decomposition, and formal identification will take place to-morrow.

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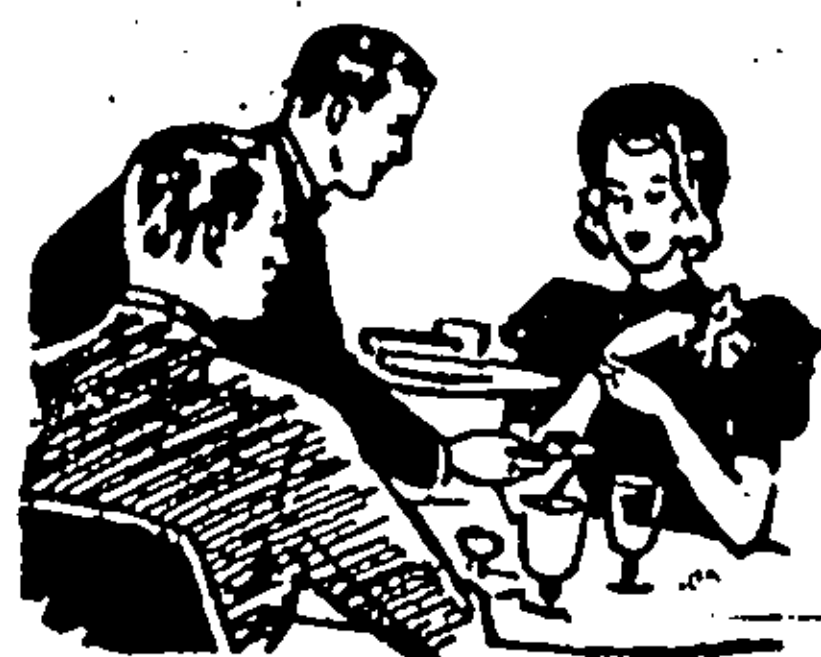
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CHECK ON MARRIAGE RAMP

Cairo, To-day.

The Egyptian Government is at the present engaged in drawing up a decree according to which every marriage of an Egyptian national with a woman of foreign birth will require special permission.

The reason for this decree is that in the last few months many foreigners have contracted marriages with Egyptians merely in order to obtain Egyptian nationality, divorce proceedings being begun immediately afterwards. — Trans-Ocean.

CSAKY TO VISIT BERLIN

Budapest, To-day.

Count Csaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister, will pay a visit to Berlin in the second half of January, according to a semi-official announcement in the Hungarian press.

Considerable importance is attached here to this visit which is provisionally fixed for January 20. — Trans-Ocean.

NAZIS TO DRINK LESS COFFEE

Berlin, To-day.

It is revealed that Germany has greatly reduced coffee consumption within the confines of the Reich.

According to a decree by the German Economy Ministry, as from January 1, only 75 per cent. of the former quantities of raw coffee may be roasted. This means that Germany overnight has reduced her coffee imports by one quarter. — Trans-Ocean.

EMIR FEISAL LEAVES

Cairo, To-day.

Emir Feisal, second son of the King of Saudi Arabia, left Jeddah yesterday for Cairo where he is expected to-morrow.

The Emir is accompanied by the Foreign Minister, Fouad Bey Hamza.

The Palestine question will be the main subject of the Cairo conversations of the Emir who will also be a delegate to the London Round Table Conference. — Trans-Ocean.

LONDON STRONGLY DEPRECATES JAPANESE CURRENCY MANOEUVRES

London, To-day.

The problem of the Japanese attitude in respect of the open door in China has been the subject of ministerial discussion in London for some time, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

There has also been a full and frank exchange of views between London and Washington.

Observers here note that each has independently arrived at similar conclusions from the same set of facts, and hence a certain amount of parallelism might be expected in any course adopted.

Although no specific confirmation can be obtained of stories that the Chinese currency may be supported, it is not denied that maintenance of the currency is of definite interest to the foreign trading community in China.

ONE FOR IL DUCE TO THINK ABOUT

Paris, To-day.

Italians ridiculed their fellow countrymen's claims to Tunis, Corsica and Djibouti when members of the huge Italian agricultural colony in South-Western France, which numbers nearly 1,000,000 persons, staged a protest meeting yesterday.

At the same time, a resolution appealing for brotherhood between the French and Italian peoples and protesting against Fascist intervention in Spain, was passed enthusiastically. — Reuter.

MR. GIFFORD-HULL IN CEYLON

Mr. G. B. Gifford Hull, who will be well remembered locally as being responsible for the erection of the Shing Mun Dam, recently arrived in Ceylon in his capacity of Director and Consulting Engineer to Marsman (Hong Kong China), Ltd., in order to prepare a Tender for a large Hydro Electric Scheme. This undertaking consists of a large dam, double power pipe line, powerhouse and machinery, and, transmission lines to Colombo a distance of fifty-two miles.

The whole work is expected to run into over one million pounds and will take about four years to complete.

FOREST FIRES STARTED BY CARELESS SETTLERS

Sydney, To-day.

Over 100 houses have been burned down in the State of Victoria in the widespread forest fires.

Twenty saw-mill workers had a narrow escape from being trapped by the flames, and only managed to fight their way out with difficulty.

The Forestry Commission says that the fires were due to settlers burning off the scrub, in spite of warnings that it was not safe because of the dry weather.

A relief fund has been opened for those whose houses have been destroyed.

Lieut W. A. Ingram R. A. of Lyceum has reported the loss of his motor car No 2795 while it was parked in Connaught Road Central yesterday.

QUO-HALIFAX TALK

The Japanese efforts to undermine it by the introduction of currencies sponsored by puppet administrations established by the Japanese, are strongly deprecated here.

Meanwhile the Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, visited the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, yesterday afternoon in order to press the urgency of the situation in China and the possibility of action by the League, in view of Lord Halifax's visit to Geneva on the way back from Rome. — Reuter.

DEMARCHE RUMOURS

London, To-day.

Regarding the rumours current here of a forthcoming British demarche in Tokio, it is semi-officially stated that the British Government is at present considering measures which might appropriately be taken to safeguard British interests in China but that no definite decisions have yet been taken. — Trans-Ocean.

BORDER INCIDENT LIQUIDATED

Prague, To-day.

The "Battle of Munkacs," between Czechoslovak and Hungarian troops in which several were killed on both sides last Friday was definitely liquidated yesterday by the establishment of a neutral zone.

Hungarian and Czechoslovak liaison officers at Munkacs accepted preliminary conditions for further negotiations between their Governments.

A neutral zone will be established to-morrow at 8 a.m. after which no armed detachments will be allowed to enter.

Soldiers taken prisoners during the fight will be exchanged to-day. — Trans-Ocean.

MEMEL TALKS

Memel, To-day.

Negotiations will be started in the first part of this week between M. Gaillius, Lithuanian Governor of Memel Territory, and Fritz Bingau, commissioner for Memel Germans, with the object of setting up a new governing body for Memel Territory.

Memel Germans are demanding the appointment of Willy Bertels as chairman of the governing body. — Trans-Ocean.

EXPLORATION RATHER THAN NEGOTIATION

Rome Talks Agenda To Depend On Il Duce

SPAIN TO BE DISCUSSED

London, To-day.

Exploration rather than negotiation is likely to be the keynote of the Rome talks, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax are going with no pre-conceived ideas; there is no formal agenda nor have any precise indications of the points Mussolini may wish to raise been received from the Italian side.

Two subjects are naturally expected to take a prominent place in the talks — the Spanish civil war and Italo-French relations.

On the latter, it is clearly understood in London and Paris that there is no question of British mediation in a matter which is held to be purely one for the French and Italian Governments to settle, though naturally an improvement in the atmosphere between Paris and Rome would be welcomed in London.

The French Government, moreover, has made it quite clear that it does not desire British mediation.

SPANISH INTEGRITY

There is a complete understanding between London and Paris on the whole subject.

In regard to the situation in Spain, it is likely to be made clear by the British Ministers that Britain attaches considerable importance to the execution of Italy's promise in full to respect Spain's integrity.

There is no question of granting belligerent rights until the provisions of the non-intervention committee's plan for withdrawal of foreign volunteers are fulfilled.

DEPENDS ON DUCE

Apart from these two items, the talks may include the refugee problem and economic questions, but the general trend will largely depend on matters Mussolini decides to raise.

It appears unlikely that the British statesmen will bring hard and fast arrangements, which certainly is not the primary intention of the visit, but the contacts in Rome should enable them to gather a first-hand estimate of the probable trends of the Italian axis policy in the ensuing months.—Reuter.

FOG OF UNCERTAINTY

London, To-day.

Even on the day before the departure of the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, and Lord Halifax for Rome, neither "The Times" nor the "Daily Telegraph" is able to dispel the fog of uncertainty which has gathered around the intentions of the British Statesmen.

The diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" is at pains to point out that no plan of any sort has been drawn up for procedure to be followed during the Rome conversations. This is in itself unusual for political talks of this kind and would appear to signify that both sides deem it necessary to get to know each other's standpoint

before attempting to alight on a formula for arriving at an understanding. "The Times" indignantly repudiates the suggestion that it is intended to entice Italy away from its allegiance to the Rome-Berlin axis or to break the French resistance to the Italian demands.

TRADE RELATIONS

With regard to the oft-repeated assertion that the Rome talks will also deal with the possibility of extending Anglo-Italian trade relations, "The Times" says that no special arrangements have been made on the British side in this direction. That economic matters may play a part in the conversations is not denied, however.

The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says it is untrue that Mr. Chamberlain is going to Rome to discuss the possibility of getting the Italian volunteers withdrawn from Spain. — Trans-Ocean.

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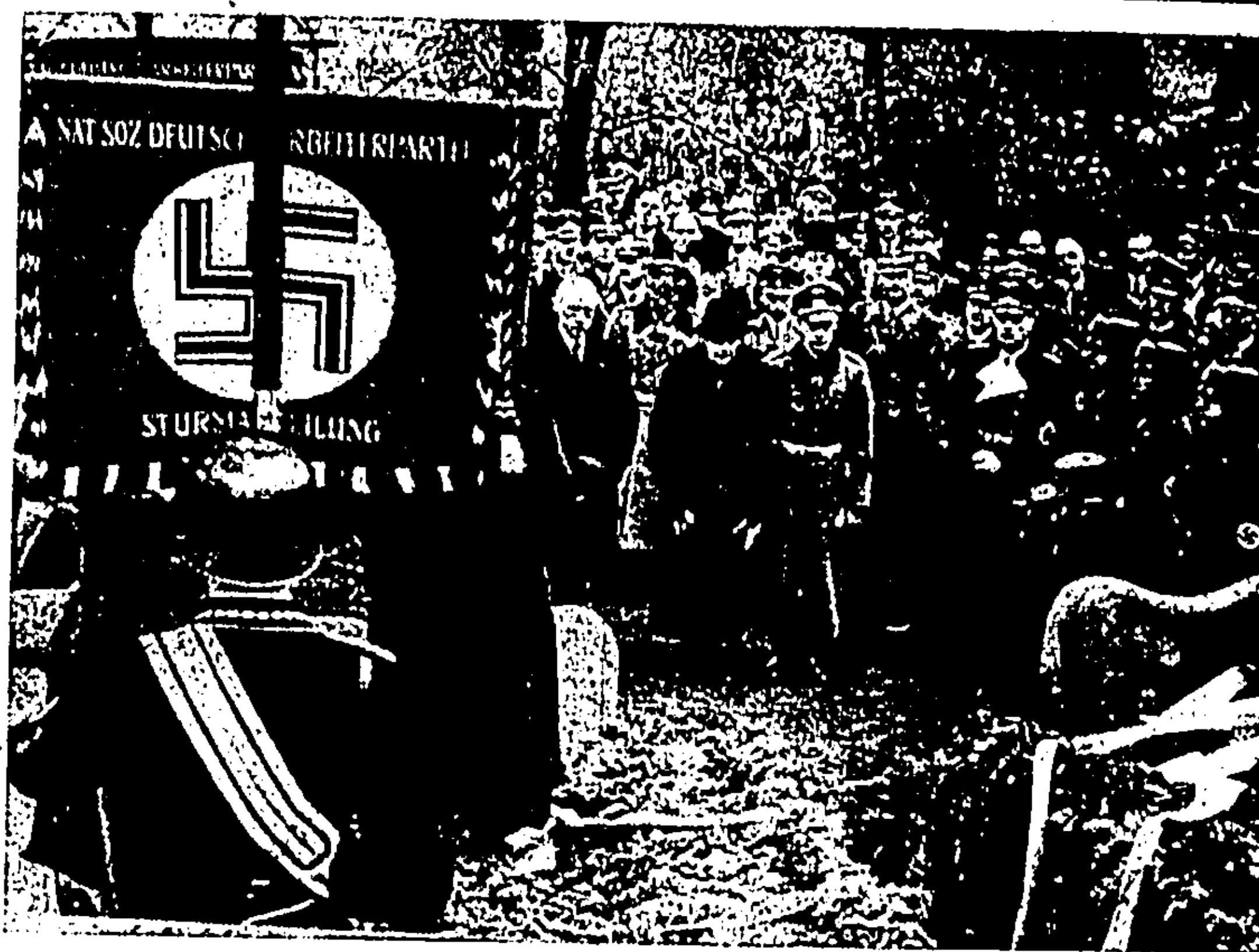
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PLEDGE TO GENERALISSIMO

Chungking, To-day.

Thirty-five Chinese Generals have sent a telegram to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, denouncing the Wang Ching-wei peace plan.

The Generals pledge themselves to carry on the war against Japan. — Our Own Correspondent.



The scene at the graveside when Herr vom Rath, murdered German Embassy official in Paris, was buried. In centre are the parents of the dead man and to their left is the Nazi Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop.

UKRAINE AUTONOMY MOVEMENT

London, To-day.

Premier Volochyn, the head of the Carpatho-Ukraine Government, has publicly associated himself with the demand for an establishment of a free and independent Ukraine embracing all Ukrainia.

In a special interview accorded to the Prague correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" he expresses the hope that Ukrainians in all parts of the world will put aside their differences and concentrate all their energies on creating a great Ukraine.

Although it is not easy to prophecy, he declared in the course of his interview, nevertheless he firmly believed that a Greater Ukraine would come into existence in the near future and that the Ukrainians throughout the world would be in a position to return to their brothers in a liberated fatherland at present suffering under alien oppression. — Trans-Ocean.

MYSTERY CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON

Washington, To-day.

The Ambassadors of Britain, France and Germany in Washington, are to have conferences with the Administration.

The British and French envoys returned unexpectedly from their holidays in Florida to confer with President Roosevelt, but refuse to divulge the reason.

All are now awaiting the return of the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, who has landed at New York from Lima, where he had been attending the Pan-American Conference.—Reuter.

ATTEMPTED ARMS DEAL WITH CHINA

NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

AN ATTEMPTED DEAL IN ARMS WITH "CHINA OR ANOTHER FOREIGN POWER," BY PHILIP MUSICA, ALIAS DONALD COSTER, THE EX-CONVICT HEAD OF THE CHEMICAL FIRM OF McKESON, ROBINS, IS REPORTED BY THE AUTHORITIES.

A preliminary report from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which is conducting the investigation into the affairs of McKeson, Robins, disclosed that Coster used the alias of "Mueller" in trying to sell two million rifles and some two billion cartridges from the Government's surplus stores to China or another foreign power.

The rifles were Lee Enfields owned by the United States Government.

Attempts to negotiate the deal, however, according to the report, collapsed when the Government placed the ammunitions and rifles in reserve. — Reuter.

45,000-TON BATTLESHIPS FOR U.S.

NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

DESIGNS FOR TWO OF THE LARGEST AND FASTEST BATTLESHIPS IN THE WORLD HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY THE UNITED STATES NAVY DEPARTMENT, ACCORDING TO THE "NEW YORK TIMES."

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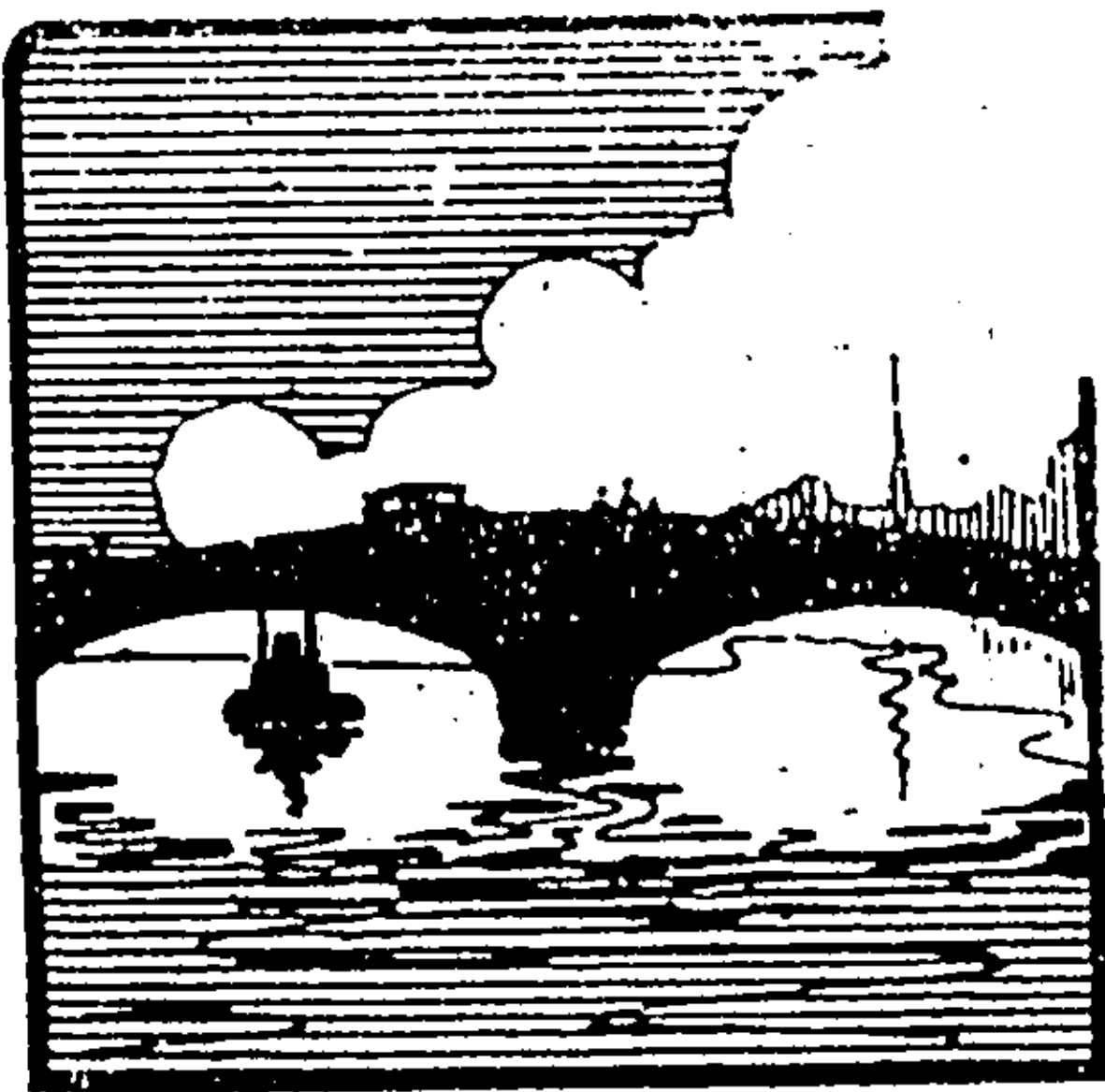
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GERMANY'S INVISIBLE TORPEDO MENACE: DEFENCE AGAINST SUBS.

London, To-day.

Hector C. Bywater, naval correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," publishes an article demanding the strengthening of British defence measures against submarines.

According to Mr. Bywater's information, which doubtless comes from an excellent source, a changed British naval programme will be expressed by the construction of destroyers of an average tonnage of between 750 and 1,000, and in supplementing convoy as well as patrol ships.

In his article the naval expert comes to the conclusion that the present British convoy system is insufficient for protecting the merchant fleet especially since merchantment are not fitted with submarine detecting devices, defensive guns and trained crew.

Germany, according to Mr. Bywater, even in 1918, possessed an "invisible torpedo" which could then not be utilised because the War ended.

Mr. Bywater also advocates building a merchantmen reserve and points out that to-day, Japan, Italy and Germany have an aggregate of 104 submarines while at the outbreak of the World War, Germany and Austria together possessed only 52 submarine units.

PALESTINE MURDER CHARGE

Jerusalem, To-day.

Summing up for the prosecution, Crown Counsel submitted that premeditated murder had been proved against all four British police constables who are standing trial on a charge of murder of an Arab prisoner.

The Crown contends alternatively that if the accused's testimony that they shot the prisoner while escaping were believed, Police Constable Mansell used undue violence for which he is guilty of murder.

The prosecution submitted that both P. C. Crossley and his brother were guilty of attempted manslaughter, and P. C. Wood was guilty of premeditated murder because he fired the fatal shot.—Reuter.

Miss Simmons, of "On Lee," Pokfulam, has reported the loss of money and jewellery to the value of \$100 from her house by some person who obtained admittance through an open window.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE GATHERS AT BASLE

Basle, To-day.

The heads of various central banks, including Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, and Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Reichsbank President, held a formal meeting here yesterday.

Although only the internal affairs of the Bank of International Settlements were considered, it is understood that international financial action to assist the emigration of German Jews was discussed privately.

The Bank's administrative council met later and reviewed the Bank of England's recent measures to check speculation against Sterling.

During the discussion it was stated there had been considerable repatriation of French capital, and it was agreed that the French financial and monetary situation was satisfactory.—Reuter.

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CANTON "GOVERNMENT" RULES A DEAD CITY

Puppets In Search Of Revenue

Canton, To-day.

Canton is still a dead city, and the claims of Japanese spokesmen that the inhabitants are returning in a steady stream are misleading.

On the surface, it appears that the population of the Kwangtung capital is now much larger than it was after the panic evacuation in October last.

Actually, however, the Chinese seen in the city, computed by some quarters as high as 100,000, are mostly from villages and small towns in the neighbourhood who come to Canton for a day or two to obtain food.

Supplies for miles around were seized by the Japanese some time ago, and in many villages a state of privation is being experienced.

DRUGS AND GAMBLING

Only source of supplies is Canton, where, provided Japanese army notes are tendered in payment, Chinese can purchase rice, fruit, vegetables and so forth.

Meanwhile the new "government," in search of revenue, has taken a leaf out of the book of the puppet "Ta Tao Government" of Shanghai in opening heroin and opium dens and gambling houses.

These places are mainly patronised by Japanese soldiers, though many country people are enticed in by touts.

A check-up of those Chinese who are living permanently in Canton reveals an almost complete absence of the shop-keeper and artisan class.

Majority are still the beggar and other unsavoury types.

REFUGEE CAMPS CROWDED

Another feature is the fact that the refugee camps run by British and American mission workers are still as crowded as they were at their inauguration, all attempts of the Japanese to induce the refugees to return to the city having failed.

There is a trickle of returning residents arriving on the bi-weekly Japanese river steamer from Macao, but everything points to the certainty that it will be many months before Canton returns to anything like normal. — Our Own Correspondent.

FLOODS IN NORTH OF ENGLAND

London, To-day.

Many parts of England are flooded, partly owing to the thaw and partly to heavy rains.

Yorkshire, Durham and Leicestershire are the worst sufferers.

Farms are under water and much livestock has been drowned.

ITALIAN DEAD IN ABYSSINIA

Rome, To-day.

It was officially announced yesterday that three officers and 19 men were killed in Abyssinia during "police operations" in December. — Reuter.

CHANGES IN NAZI PRESS

Berlin, To-day.

In the Berlin newspaper world far-reaching changes will be made on February 1.

The "Berliner Tageblatt" will cease publication on that date. The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" will amalgamate with the "Deutscher Verlag" (formerly Ullstein) which already publishes a number of popular newspapers with a very large circulation.

The "Berliner Boersenzeitung"—the most influential financial newspaper of the Reich capital—will also pass into other hands. From February 1, the "Voelkischer Beobachter", which used to be the leading organ of the Nazi Party, will become the leading organ of Berlin and simultaneously of all Germany.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," the chief editor of which will still be Dr. Silex while the chief editor of the "Berliner Tageblatt," Dr. Muendler, will become political chief of all newspapers published by the Deutscher Verlag, will be enlarged in the foreign service, its editorial staff being reinforced by that of the "Berliner Tageblatt." — Trans-Ocean.

MR. JERRAM ARRIVES IN BURGOS

London, To-day.

Sir Wasey Sterry, the judicial member who will assist the British charge d'affaires at St. Jean de Luz, Mr. O'Malley, and the Acting British Agent at Burgos, Mr. C. Jerram, in the inquiry into the charges brought against British officials in connexion with the incident of the official mail bag, is leaving London to-day for St. Jean de Luz.

The inquiry will be opened as soon after his arrival as the necessary facilities are assured in co-operation with the Spanish Nationalist authorities.

Mr. Jerram arrived in Burgos last night to make renewed contact with the authorities there, with a view to obtaining knowledge of the charges and evidence against the persons concerned, as well as to ensure the presence at the inquiry of Mr. E. Golding, British pro-consul at San Sebastian, who has been put under arrest by the Nationalists. — British Wireless.



German refugees in large numbers will be trained as agriculturists and settled in the Empire by the Society of Friends if the Government consents and the money can be raised. Already a number of refugees are being trained at three centres in England and after a year's training, efforts will be made to settle them in the Colonies or Dominions. Photo shows German boys returning from the fields to dinner at the farm at Hambleden.

RIBBENTROP TO VISIT WARSAW

Warsaw, To-day.

The German Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, will shortly return the visit paid him in Munich by the Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, according to informed quarters here which state that Col. Beck invited Herr von Ribbentrop, on the occasion of their second conversation on Friday, to come to Warsaw.

It is added that discussion of German-Polish relations began in Berchtesgaden and Munich, particularly of the question of the German minority in Poland, will be continued in Warsaw.

"Illustrowany Kurjer Codzienny" states that Herr von Ribbentrop will probably arrive in Warsaw on Jan. 26 which is the fifth anniversary of the signing of the German-Polish pact of non-aggression, but informed quarters affirm that the date of the German Minister's visit has not yet been definitely settled. — Trans-Ocean.

MUSSOLINI AS PILOT

Rome, To-day.

Mussolini himself piloted a tripled engined bombing plane yesterday afternoon on an inspectional trip to the new airport of Littoria where he visited the school for blind flights.

Afterwards the Duce flew to Fubara where he examined new types of bombs at the artillery research institute. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITON KILLED

Barcelona, To-day.

Mr. Farthing, chief engineer of the British steamer "Ayesford," was among six killed in a Nationalist air raid on Barcelona yesterday. — Reuter.

JAPANESE KEPT BUSY

Shanghai, To-day.

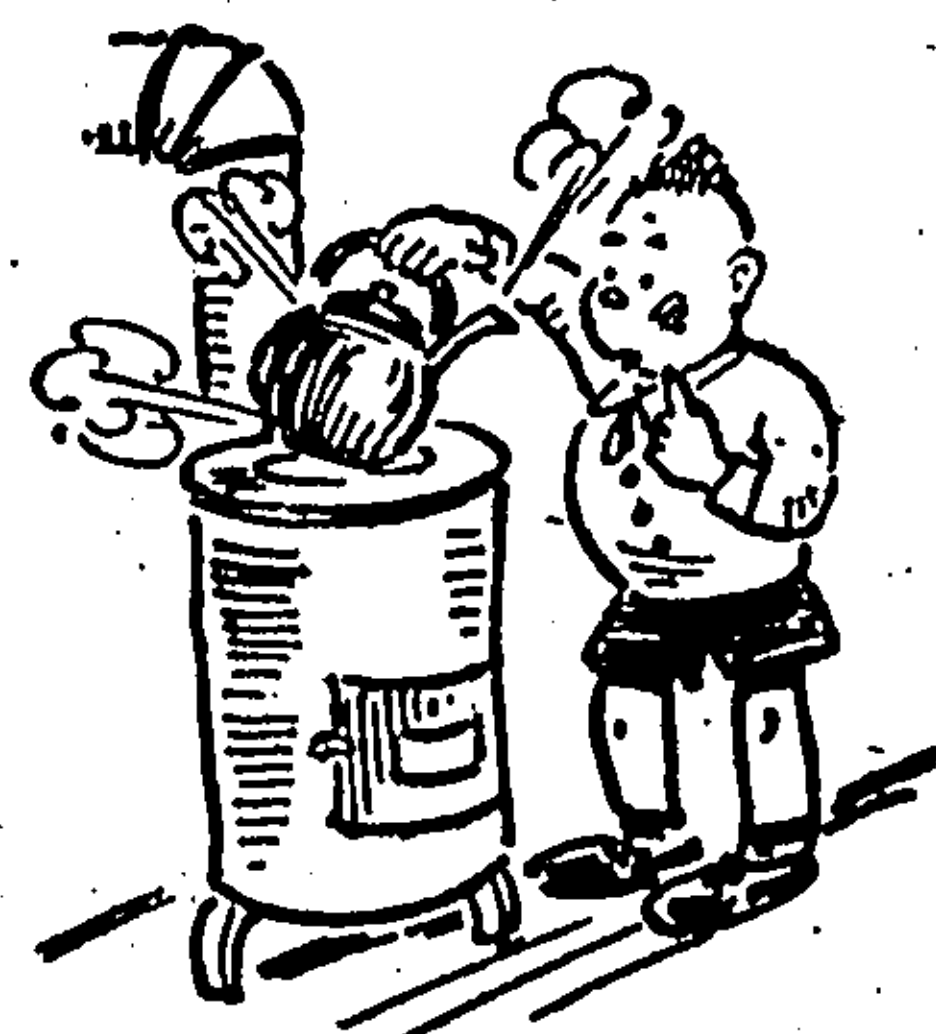
Further particulars of the extent of Chinese resistance south of the Yangtse were made known by Japanese quarters yesterday.

According to them, between August and December, Japanese forces between Shanghai and Nanking were forced to fight no fewer than 309 engagements with Chinese irregulars. — Trans-Ocean.

Budapest, To-day.

The Hungarian Minister in Prague, Dr. Johann Wettstein von Weltersheim, has vacated his post until further notice, according to press reports.

He will await instructions from his Government before returning to his post. — Trans-Ocean.



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BRITAIN'S DIVIDED
OPPOSITION

It is one great strength of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Government in Great Britain that his opponents, united in opposition to his policy, refuse to be united in organisation. The Labour Party has it in its power to promote a united front in opposition. But at present it is not willing to do so.

Consider the position of Mr. Chamberlain's Government: It is still called the "National Government," and it retains this title in view of the fact that it is supported by persons who designate themselves "Liberal" or "Labour" with the prefix "National." But the forces of its opponents in and out of Parliament have been increasingly articulate, and on one point at least these are united—in their conviction that a different foreign policy is required.

Against Mr. Chamberlain, of course, are the solid battalions of industrial and political Labour, and the latter has now received the promise of electoral support from the well-organised Co-operative Party. Against him, also, is the Liberal Party, small in Parliamentary representation, but still capable of turning at least 2,000,000 votes in the country. And lastly, there is the new Conservative opposition which has come into being in consequence of what some Conservatives regard as Mr. Chamberlain's excessive complaisance in the face of Fascist and National Socialist gains.

It includes such formidable leaders as Mr. Anthony Eden, Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. Albert Duff Cooper, and the Duchess of Atholl. The secession of the latter is specially significant. Not only has she held office in a former Conservative Ministry, but she has a strong Conservative following in Scotland and in England.

A United Front opposition vote, such as has sent the independent candidate, Vernon Bartlett, in triumph to Parliament, was asked for in Scotland by the Duchess of Atholl and though it was not so successful, the result was a close thing. Such a union of forces might nevertheless spell for their representatives victory at a general election. It is desired by dozens of Labour members, as was shown by the message sent by thirty-nine of them in support of Vernon Bartlett.

But official Labour is jealously exclusive. Its backbone, the men who have built it up on the basis of the trade union movement, are unwilling to ally themselves with any group which will not subscribe to the whole of their policy. Passionately though most of their members feel about Ethiopia, about Spain, about Czechoslovakia, about dictatorship, their leaders are still reluctant to join with those who share these feelings but do not accept the whole Socialist doctrine.

This attitude will not go unchallenged by practical Socialists who see that the country will be continually controlled by Conservatives and themselves perpetually excluded from power unless the party accepts allies. On this point there will be a keen struggle, but at present there is no sign of yielding on the part of Labour's "old guard," which is strongly entrenched in key positions.

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In the Steps
of Alexander

Four young Englishmen have recently returned to London from an adventurous expedition in the Himalayas, where, in the Swat Valley, the "Garden Valley of a Thousand Monasteries," they have made discoveries that, according to one authority, "will without doubt throw great light on many historical problems."

Swat becomes a familiar name to many Englishmen in their nursery days; but it is not to be imagined that this expedition will answer at last the question that they used to ask them:

Who, or why, or which, or what,

Is the Akond of SWAT?

It is concerned with a greater character, although one, in some ways, no less mysterious; for its excavations were carried out on the route taken by Alexander the Great on his famous march to the banks of the Indus. Any discovery bearing on that stupendous feat is bound to be interesting, and historically important; and the unearthing of statues of Buddha revealing obvious signs of Greek influence, from where they had lain buried for nearly 2,000 years, is, alone, a sufficient reward for the efforts of the expedition.

But the great question that historians have asked themselves about the invasion: "Was it," in the words of Mr. H. G. Wells, "a systematic survey of a world he meant to consolidate into one great order, or was it a wild-goose chase?"—that is likely to remain still unanswered. When it comes to "Why?" Alexander is as inscrutable as the Akond.

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Hoops, My Dear!

It appears that English women are going back to the crinoline. One wonders if this be a result again of that Parisian influence upon other nations in the matter of feminine dress; for, if so, it is amusing to reflect that once it was hoped in Paris that the influence of foreigners would abolish the crinoline.

Saint-Simon relates in his memoirs how the example of the Duchess of Shrewsbury led to the ladies at the court of Louis XIV abandoning their great headdresses, and he adds: "Sensible people await with impatience the advent of another . . . foreigner to disencumber our ladies of the enormous hoops which are as intolerable to themselves as they are to everybody else."

The modern crinoline is not such a full-rigged affair as its predecessors of the eighteenth century, and of the Victorian era; moreover, fashions are more transient than they used to be; so that, although the times are scarcely spacious enough for the mode, it is not likely that the No-Crinoline League of the nineties will be revived to oppose this new attempt to put ladies through the hoop—"Christian Science Monitor."

SPANISH WAR NEARS CLIMAX

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ALTHOUGH REPORTS FROM BOTH SIDES IN THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR ARE CONFLICTING, NEUTRAL OBSERVERS ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THE CLIMAX OF THE PRESENT BATTLE WHICH IS BEING RAGED ON FRONTS 400 MILES APART, IS NOT FAR OFF.

While General Franco's offensive continues to be successful, the Republicans' counter-attack is reported to be proving a serious menace to the Nationalists.

Some confirmation of this seems to be obtained in a Gibraltar message which says that Nationalist troops and Civil Guards have been hastily withdrawn from Laluea, Algeciras and Tarifa and sent to Seville, en route for the Estramadura front.

There is no confirmation hitherto, adds the Gibraltar despatch, that reinforcements have been brought to the mainland from Morocco.

NIEMOLLER SPEAKS OUT AGAINST NAZIS

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE PARSON BROTHER OF PASTOR NIEMOLLER, THE FORMER SUBMARINE CAPTAIN NOW IN PRISON OWING TO HIS OPPOSITION TO THE NAZI ANTI-CHURCH MEASURES, YESTERDAY DREW ATTENTION TO THE DISTRESS IN THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

Niemoller was giving a sermon during a church service in Berlin.

He said: "We must perish if those who are commanded to speak the word of God cannot tell the truth."

"All the Church proposals have been disregarded, and the Church will never accept the situation."

About 130 German pastors have been deprived of office by the Nazis. Four are in concentration camps and eight are awaiting trial under arrest.

ANGLO-AMERICAN YACHTING CONTEST THIS YEAR

London, To-day.

Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith, the aircraft manufacturer and unsuccessful challenger for the Americas Cup, and Mr. Harold S. Vanderbilt, defender of the famous yachting trophy, are to meet again this year in England.

Mr. Vanderbilt and several other American sportsmen are bringing over 12-metre yachts and will compete in the Royal Regatta.

Both Mr. Sopwith and Mr. Vanderbilt are building special boats for the contests, which will be the first ever held between Britons and Americans in the 12-metre class.

VITAL RAILWAY

In Barcelona, it is claimed that the left wing of the Republican forces on the Estremadura front has occupied Azuaga, about 10 miles from the Seville-Burgos railway.

If the Republicans reach this railway, they will cut the main communication line of the Nationalists.

The Republican troops are said to be approaching both Valverde and Lerena, while the right wing has captured Monterrubio and the approaches to Casturera.—Reuter.

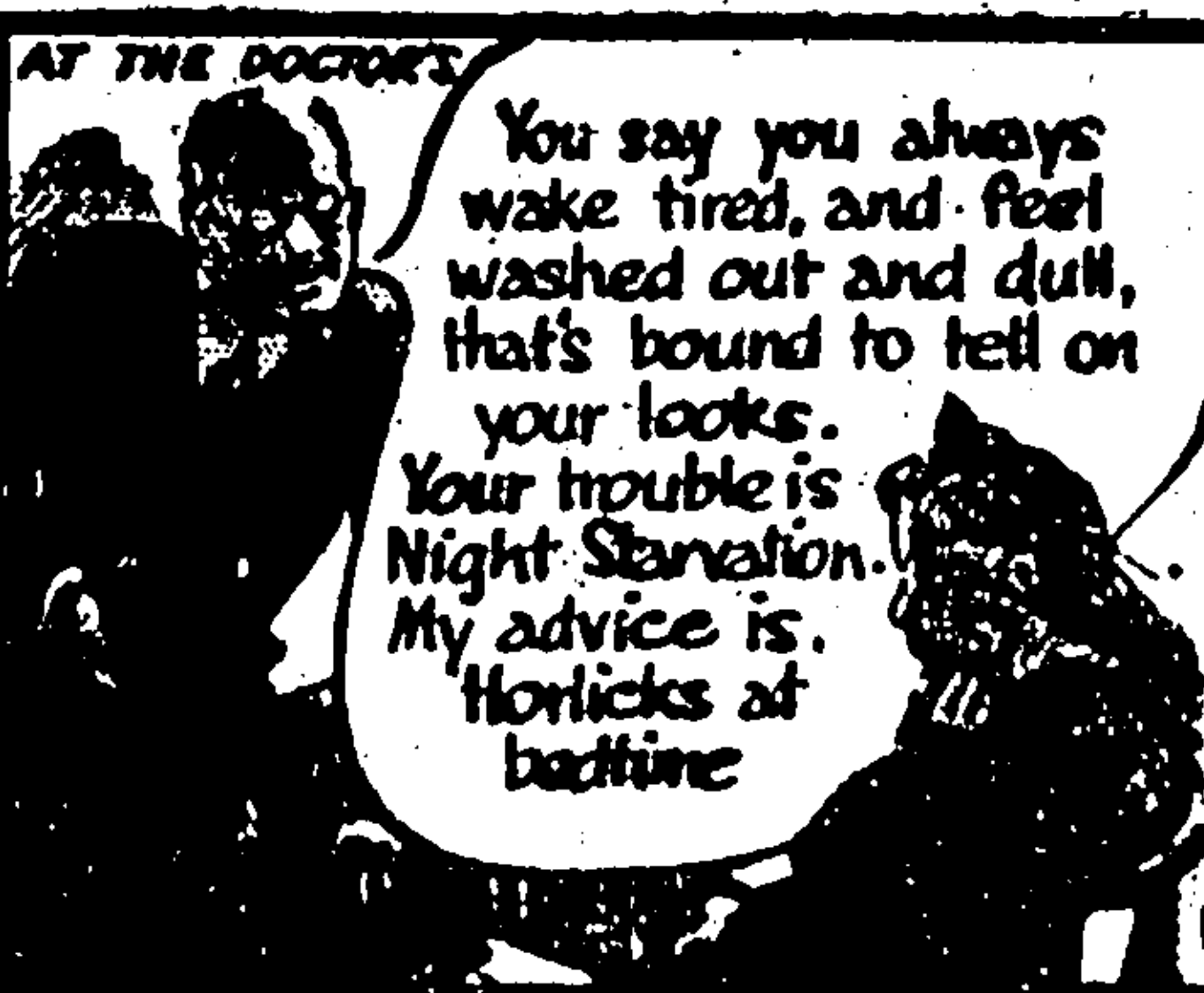
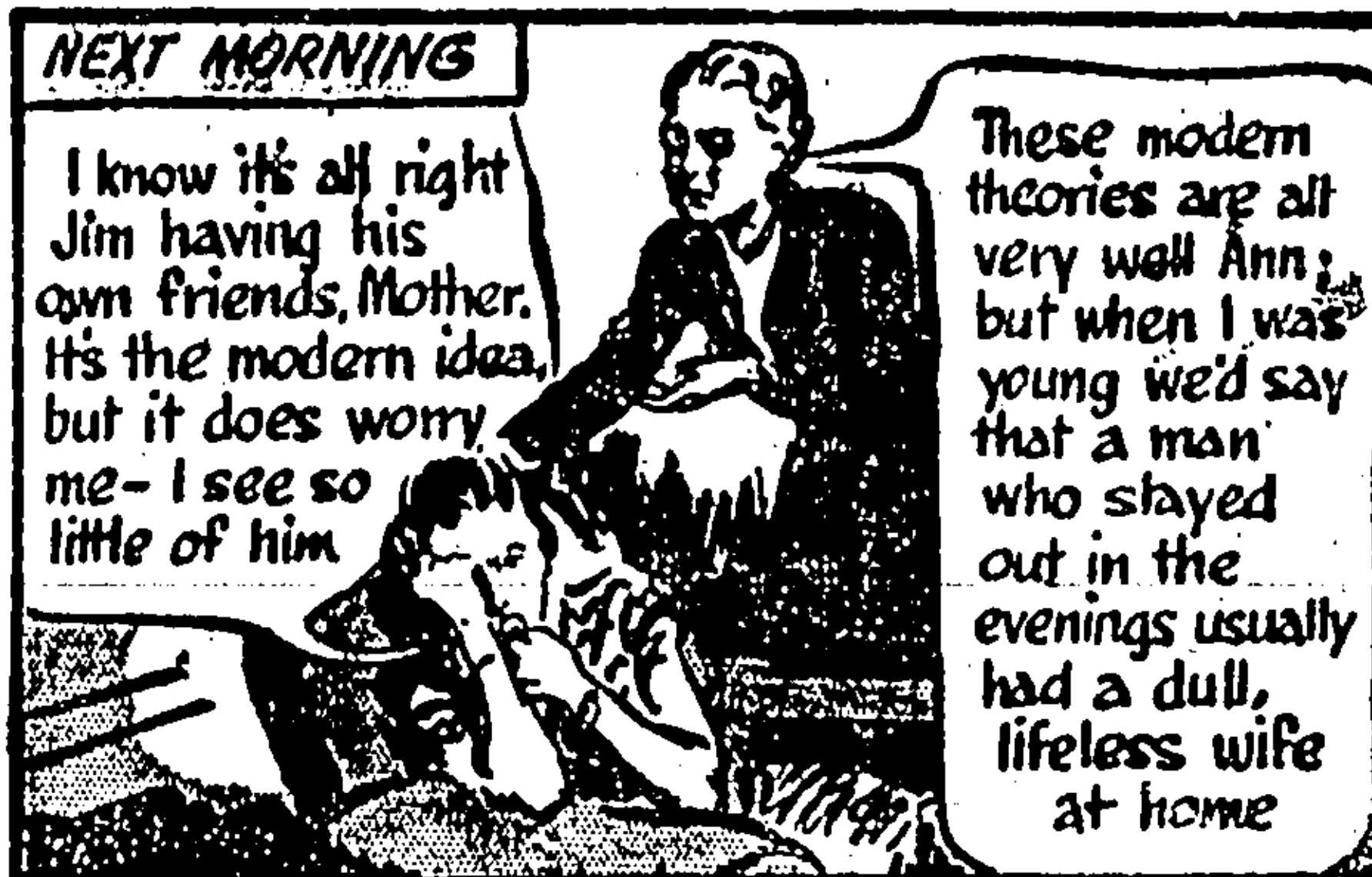
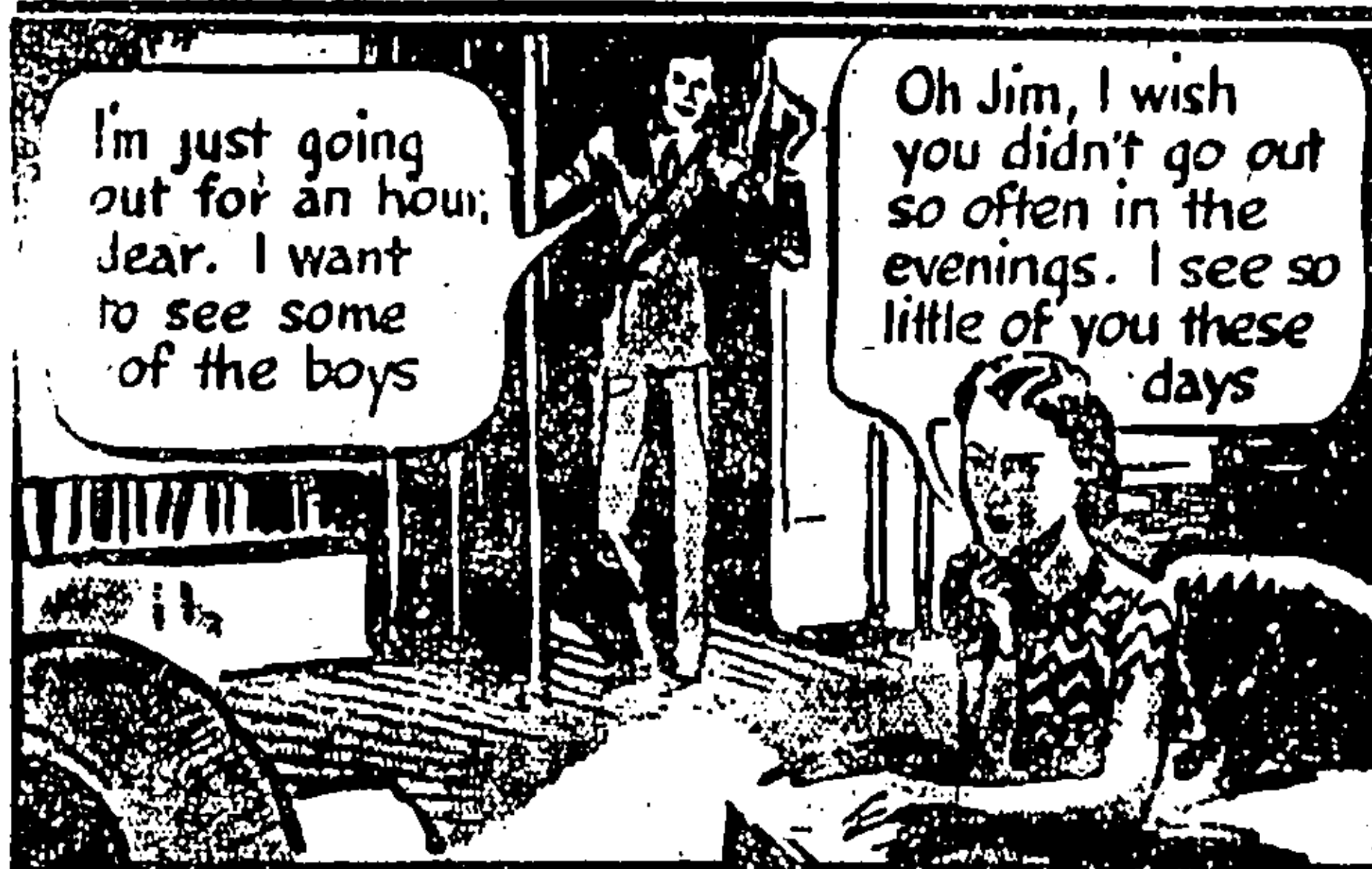
LOYALIST SUCCESSES

Barcelona, To-day.

The Republican troops continued their victorious advance and succeeded in occupying eleven small towns and villages, three hills and the peaks of Sierra Tejonera.

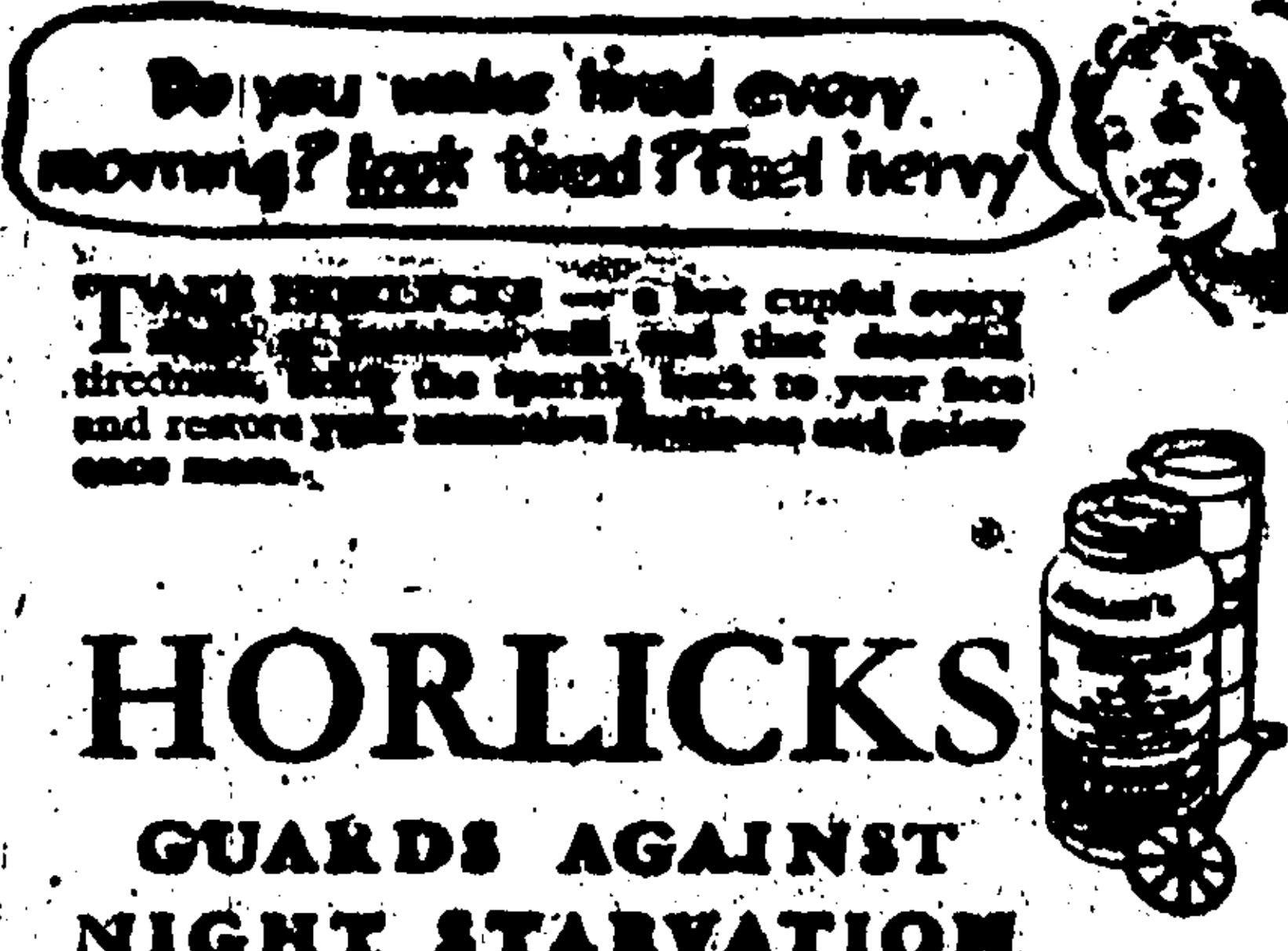
The advance is still in progress. Heavy fighting is still proceeding on the southern sector of the eastern front where the enemy, supported by tanks and aircraft, succeeded in taking Ulldemoline and Villanova despite the stubborn Republican resistance. One enemy aircraft was shot down.—Trans-Ocean.

SHOULD HUSBANDS AND WIVES HAVE SEPARATE FRIENDS?



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WAR OFFICE HITS BACK AT NAZI PROPAGANDA

REPLIES TO ORGANISATIONS "UNFRIENDLY TO BRITAIN"

London, To-day.

In a statement issued last night the War Office says it considers that in view of the absolutely baseless allegations being broadcast by persons and organizations unfriendly to Britain of atrocities by British troops in Palestine, it is desirable to make public a description of the real situation in that country together with details of actual measures being taken to deal with it. The statement continues: "The character of the British soldier is too well known to require vindication, but the fact remains that categorical accusations have been levelled against him and are being assiduously disseminated in foreign countries.

"This authentic description of what is actually happening in Palestine to-day provides a categorical answer to these accusations."

Although there is at the present time an armed rebellion in progress in Palestine, the War Office strongly emphasizes that there is no organised rebel army in the accepted sense against which troops can act to the exclusion of the remaining peaceful citizens.

Throughout the country, active rebels and peaceful citizens are inextricably mixed. The total number of permanent active rebels in the whole country does not exceed 1,000 to 1,500 men, split up in bodies under the command of various leaders. These men are all under arms, often operate in uniform and form the permanent nucleus of the gangs. These small parties are reinforced as required by temporary detachments of armed fellahin from neighbouring villages.

PRESS GANGS

The methods by which such reinforcements are obtained vary. In parts of the country where rebel sympathies are strong and organisation is best, definite village detachments with leaders and arms are in existence. Elsewhere, villagers are pressed into service by permanent gangs for a fixed period and are provided with arms.

Elsewhere again, no regular gangs exist but small parties of rebel sympathisers combine by night for such activities as sniping and sabotage which have become a recognised and remunerative racket.

At the present time the rebels' aim as far as possible is to avoid being brought to action by troops. Except when a gang is surprised under arms there is no organised fighting. Otherwise by day both permanent and temporary rebels conceal their arms and uniforms and mingle indistinguishably with peaceful citizens.

RELENTLESS CAMPAIGN

Practically every village in the country has at one time or other harboured and supported rebels and assisted in concealing their identity from the Government forces. While in many cases this was done from sympathy, in the remainder the same result has been achieved by terrorism.

For months now a relentless campaign of assassination has been waged against any Arab suspected of favouring the Government or giving information against the rebels. Consequently villages where a majority of the inhabitants would be willing to assist the Government have been terrorized by the rebel minority into aiding them.

There is no central command or organisation of rebel bands. The general policy is more or less directed by the Mufti and the Higher Arab Committee, but within Palestine the fighting leaders are practically independent in their own areas.

TWO PRINCIPAL CHIEFS

The principal leaders are Abdul Ra-

him el Haj Mahomed, titular commander-in-chief who operates in Samaria, and Aref Razzik, who commands rebel bands numerically almost as great in the same area. These two leaders are on such bad terms that on more than one occasion open hostilities have almost broken out between them.

Their relations with the Mufti are worth describing as they typify not only the complicated situation in Palestine but also the two different faces displayed by the present rebellion on one hand to the outside world and on the other to the unfortunate Arab population.

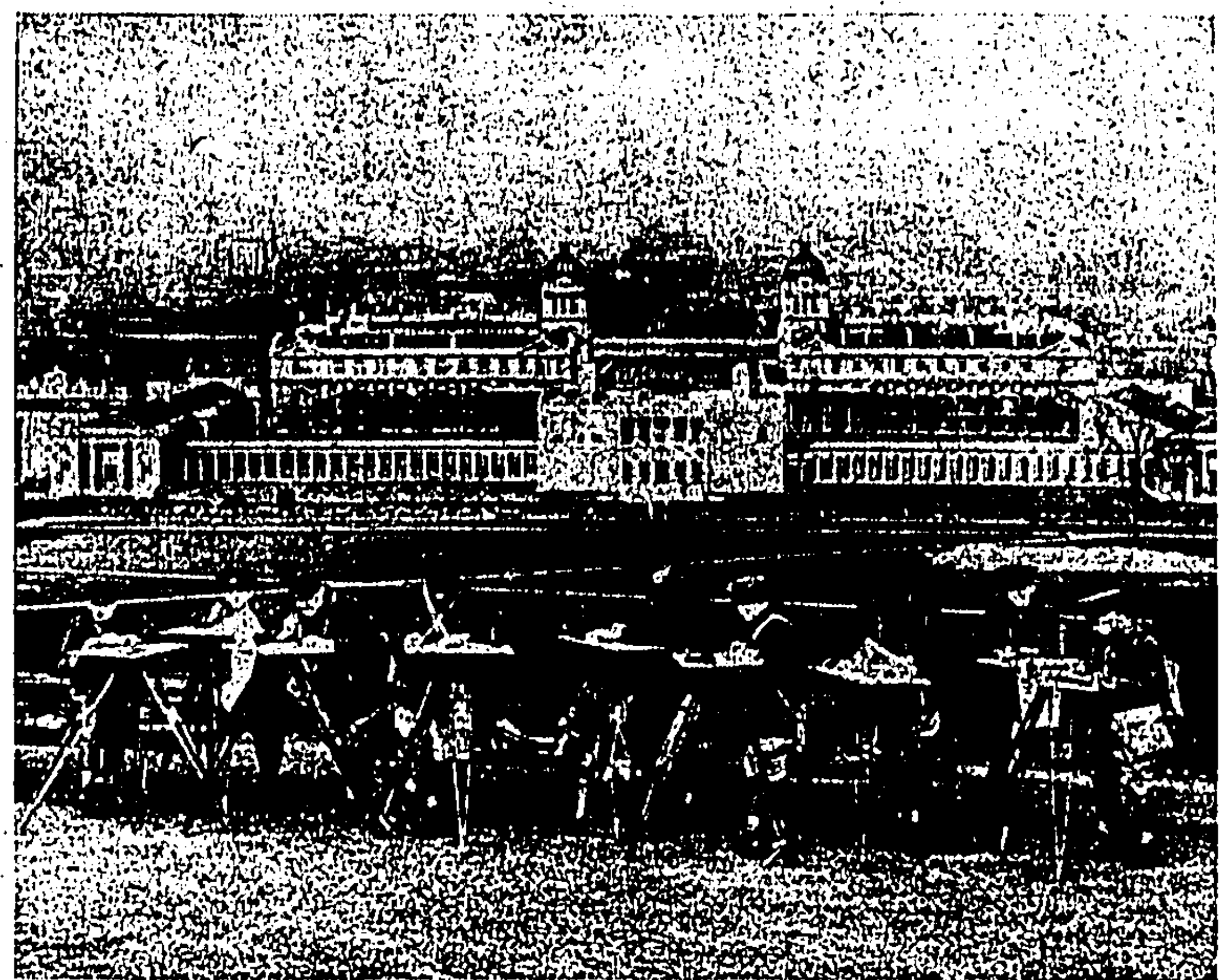
Abdul Rahim is a man of good family and some education, and is a more honest and genuine patriot than the majority of the rebels. He has so far as possible within his rights endeavoured to conduct the campaign on decent lines and dislikes intensely assassination and intimidation waged against all moderate Arabs who might oppose the Mufti's policy. He maintains an attitude of considerable independence to orders from the Mufti, frequently refusing to carry them out when they offend his principles. For this reason, and because he formerly had moderate political connections, he is regarded with suspicion by the Mufti, and is retained in his position partly for his considerable organising ability but still more because his known good character and high principles make him an admirable figurehead for external propaganda which seeks to represent the rebellion as a pure and patriotic movement.

UTTER RUTHLESSNESS

Aref Abdul Razzik is a man of much lower origin and less education than Abdul Rahim, and is entirely unprincipled. Starting as a very minor leader 12 months ago he achieved his present position by a career of utter ruthlessness and implicit obedience to the Mufti's orders whatever they involve. He consequently enjoys the complete confidence of the rebel leaders outside Palestine, and is their principle agent in maintaining a terrorist grip on the Arab population. Incidentally he undoubtedly pockets a large "rakeoff" from forced subscriptions to the rebel funds which Abdul Rahim does not do.

Elsewhere there are practically no major leaders controlling a number of gangs, and the various minor leaders are almost completely independent and often at open enmity with each other.

Thus, in addition to there being no standing armed rebel force against which troops can act, there is no central organization whose destruction would cause the rebellion to collapse. There are, moreover, definite signs that as the grip of the rebels on the countryside is weakened by military action the situation will be further complicated by the emergence of Arab anti-rebel gangs who wish to take re-



A SKETCHING LESSON FOR GENTLEMEN CADETS.—Gentlemen Cadets from the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, are taken to Greenwich Park for the purpose of field sketching as part of their training. The old R.N. College is in the background.

BORDER INCIDENT SETTLED

Prague, To-day.

Czecho-Slovakia and Hungary have agreed to settle last week's border incident by creating a neutral zone in the Munkacevo sector.—Reuter.

venge on those who have supported the rebel terror. One such gang is already active near Jenin.

"BUMPING OFF" FEAR

In urban areas there are two principal rebel elements—the more educated effendi class who are engaged in organizing supplies, finances and general maintenance and administration of the gangs, running rebel courts and similar activities—and the lower class terrorist thugs who by assassination, abduction and intimidation of all sorts maintain a grip of terror on the town population as effective as that of the armed gangs on the villages.

Although the effendis have in the main supplied the administrative capacity they have not gained any real control of the fighting leaders, and in fact they continue to be terrorised by fear of being "bumped off." They may give advice but they cannot give orders, which come direct to the gangs from the Mufti and his associates and in such matters as relaxation of the rebel ban on acceptance of identity cards and travel passes for the benefit of the citrus traffic, the effendis have to seek the permission of the gang leaders.

Reason for the course is that the power of the rebellion and the safety of its supporters from Government action depend on terrorism imposed on the population by the man with the gun, and it is the gang leaders who control the armed forces, including to a great degree the town terrorists.

Even in the large towns there is little sign that the educated classes combine to give general support to the gangs. It seems rather that the principal gang leaders have each their little group of supporters who undertake for them collection of money, purchase of clothing, abduction of offenders for trial etc. Each of these groups has its own squad of terrorists working for it. Thus in Jaffa, Abdul Rahim Aref Razzim and the local leader, Hassam Salameh, all have their own agents working for them and extorting money from the town, with the result that quarrels over division of spoil and allotment of victims for fleeing are continuous.

The bigger gang leaders spread their agents far afield, as in the case of Aref Azzim, who is known to command support as far away as Gaza.

MILITARY MEASURES

Having thus described the circum-

CURFEW IN JERUSALEM NEW CITY

Jerusalem, To-day.

The military commander of Jerusalem has imposed a 24-hour curfew on the entire residential quarter of the New City, following a shooting outrage yesterday morning when a Jew was wounded.

An engagement between police, assisted by aircraft, and an Arab band, occurred on the coastal plain where Arabs sniped Jewish workers, seriously wounding one.

It is believed the Arabs suffered several casualties.—Reuter.

BRITISH AGENT TO SEE VICE-CONSUL

London, To-day.

The British Agent at Burgos has been instructed to proceed to Burgos from St. Jean de Luz to press the Nationalist authorities for immediate access to the Vice-Consul, Mr. Ernest Golding, who is being held on espionage charges.

The Agent has also been instructed to secure Mr. Golding's presence at the enquiry being held by the British authorities and to obtain details of the charges against Mr. Golding.—Reuter.

stances in which the action of the armed forces to suppress the rebellion has had to be taken, the War Office statement explains the character of military measures adopted under such headings as searches, demolitions and collective punishments.

Regarding demolitions it says that much use is being made in propaganda of the demolitions of houses by troops, and the impression is being given that wholesale demolition of houses of innocent Arabs is being carried out; and adds emphatically that this is not the case.

In the great majority of instances, individual selected houses only are demolished for the following reasons: When they are the property of a known active rebel leader who is absent from his village with gangs, or houses from which fire or other resistance has been directed; or houses in which arms ammunition and equipment has been concealed or which are proved to have been used for rebel purposes as court houses, billets etc.—British Wireless.

News Snack Bar



New Heraldic Trumpets are now being made for the Household Cavalry, the first to be made for over 100 years. They are being made by hand at a Willesden instrument makers'. The trumpets are of solid silver, each part being Hall Marked and are most elaborately chased. They are the trumpets which the Household Cavalry use on all State occasions and are faithful reproductions of the original trumpet.

JOHN BUCHAN LAMENTS

John Buchan — otherwise Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada — has confessed that he has "a terrible weight on his conscience." . . . The weight of many books.

"I have written too many," he told the Canadian Association for Adult Education. "But let me hasten to add that the written word is the greatest thing in the world. It provides a stable faith in the shifting sands on which we stand."

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BY MYSTERY ILLNESS

After watching day and night over six children stricken with a mysterious malady at Middlesbrough, Dr. Metcalfe Brown, Medical Officer of Health, was himself taken ill. One girl died from the illness. Soon after sending contents of her stomach for analysis Dr. Brown became ill. Like the children, he suffered severe internal pains.

Beyond admitting that Dr. Brown's illness is "of an infectious character," the hospital authorities were silent.

BOUQUET FOR BRITAIN

As an expression of gratitude for the preservation of peace in Europe the Dutch Bulb-Growers' Committee have offered gifts of bulbs for planting near Parliament buildings in those countries "which have contributed to rescuing mankind from the horrors of war."

On behalf of Britain the First Commissioner for Works has accepted 10,000 tulip bulbs. These will be planted adjoining the Victoria Tower of the Houses of Parliament.

£30,000 TAX CASE—SECRET

Two Edinburgh business men appeared in chambers in Edinburgh Sheriff Court yesterday charged, it is understood, with defrauding income tax authorities. The amount involved is reported to be in the region of £30,000.

No names were disclosed.

HITLER IS PUTTING UP THE BANS AGAIN

Interesting sidelights on Europe's showmen are cast by news flashes.

First of all comes Hitler, definitely top of the bill nowadays in the big-time business. As usual he was putting up the bans.

He banned pictures of himself and other leading Nazis in Vienna night clubs. This ban also applies to national symbols (the Swastika) and such emblems . . . to preserve "national dignity."

Then he banned the Baden Badenweiler march, his favourite tune. Henceforth it must be played only in "The Presence."

And so to little Franco, newest among the headliners. . . . Japan's Society for Friendly Relations between Japan, Germany and Italy presented General Franco with a suit of Japanese armour. This commemorated "the first anniversary of Japan's recognition of the Nationalist leader's regime in Spain."



Joy . . . on the faces of mother and child as Fay Wray and her daughter Susan are reunited. The film star and her director husband, John Monk Saunders, separated last January. Bone of contention was who should look after Susan. Few days ago they met . . . and reached a friendly agreement for equal and alternate custody. This happy picture is the sequel.

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ONE MORE FURLONG

Mrs. Frank Furlong, wife of the amateur rider who won the Grand National on his father's horse, Reynoldstown, in 1935, has given birth to a daughter at a London nursing home. Mother and daughter are doing well. Formerly Miss Pamela Kingsmill, she married Mr. Frank Furlong in 1935.

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"INDUSTRIAL AXIS"

The Chambers of Commerce of Swansea and Birmingham are to meet shortly to discuss an "industrial axis" for the benefit of both areas. Reciprocal trading schemes of various kinds are to be discussed, while Birmingham business concerns will be asked to establish branch factories in Swansea.

MARRIED—110 YEARS

A man, aged 135, and his wife, aged 140, have celebrated their 110th wedding anniversary in Siird, Eastern Anatolia (Turkey) . . . the oldest married couple in the world. More than 120 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attended. They live on milk and vegetables, and both enjoy a pipe.

George IV was ruling here at the time of their marriage. Yet another king, William, had to be crowned before Victoria came to the throne . . . !

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police courts:—
Motorist at Wood Green: I didn't realise the woman was running to get out of my way. I thought she wanted exercise.

Wife at Wimbledon: My husband lives on an estate. I don't know whether it is his or the Council's.

Painter at Bow Street: She came running after me and shouted, "Now look what's happened to my hat. I'll be disfigured for life."



Pupils at the Archbishop Tenison's Girls' School, Lambeth, still wear the picturesque 18th century costume consisting of blue dress with white linen apron, puritan collar, cap playing netball, as this picture shows.

RADIUM ORDER A "STUNT"

The medical profession is rebelling against the Government's cancer campaign.

"Wholesale experimenting on sufferers is the latest stunt of our Ministry of Health," declares the "Medical World," official organ of the Medical Practitioners' Union.

The Ministry, it is stated, had placed orders for £200,000 worth of radium before consulting as to whether the cancer Bill was likely to prove practicable or not.

"This radium," says the journal, "is by far the least important of the available treatments for cancer. It is in no sense a desirable treatment for the great majority of cases."

That reflects much British Medical Association opinion, as well. Dr. Ivor Beaumont said the profession had not been consulted by the Government, that the \$200,000 could be better spent, especially in buying one of the new cyclotron machines and in arranging for better and earlier diagnoses. "The Radium Bill is just window dressing," he added.

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DRAGON HUNTER

Miss Elizabeth Leveson-Gower, aged seventeen, niece of the Duke of Sutherland, hopes to bring back some live "dragons," a species of giant lizard, from the Galapagos Islands next year. The islands are off the coast of Ecuador (S. America). Miss Leveson-Gower is to sail there from Miami with the Duke and Duchess of Sutherland in their yacht.

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UNDER CORPORATION

CONTROL

Stradey Park, home of the Llanelli Rugby players and birthplace of "Sospan Fach," famous Welsh Rugby song, may shortly pass from private ownership into the control of the Llanelli Corporation. Present owner is Mr. C. R. Mansel Lewis, Squire of Stradey.

ANOTHER M.P. FACES REVOLT

By an "almost overwhelming majority," the executive committee of the South Bradford Division Liberal Association was decided to adopt a candidate to oppose Mr. Herbert Holdsworth, M.P. for the division, who recently joined the National (Government) Liberals.



Chrysanthemum soup is certainly an idea. This is the recipe of the Japanese Chrysanthemum Society of Vancouver. One pint of milk, a tablespoon of butter, dash of salt and pepper, two tablespoons cornflower and one large Chrysanthemum (any colour). Put milk and butter in a pan and heat, add cornflower and stir till thick. Add chopped Chrysanthemum petals which have been soaked in boiling water for two minutes. A London chef is here shown choosing his chrysanthemum.



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Poignant Story Of Reynold Bray's Death

London, Dec. 29.

News carried by an Eskimo runner and relayed across the snows of Canada revealed to a girl in Clay-gate, Surrey, yesterday that for three months she had been a widow; that her husband had died in the Arctic circle without having seen his daughter, born four months ago. For Reynold Bray, an explorer, aged twenty-six, had set off on his last expedition two months before his baby was born. He could not wait. A month later and the ice would have closed the passage to the Arctic.

Before he sailed he took his wife on a holiday to the Island of Handa, off the coast of Scotland . . . an island inhabited only by birds.

There they decided that the unborn baby should be called Handa, after the holiday isle. And when the girl was born he cabled greetings to Handa, the daughter who will never see him.

WANTED HER PHOTOGRAPH

There were other messages before he travelled beyond the reach of letters, and last October Mrs. Bray received her last word. "Send me photographs of the baby," he wrote.

Before that letter reached Mrs. Bray her husband was dead. The 29ft. boat in which he and his companion, Mr. Patrick Baird, were fighting their way through the ice to the Arctic outpost at Igloolik

Bray was trapped and drowned in the ice-cold water. Baird jumped, scrambled to the bank and struggled through on foot to Igloolik.

His telegram, sent to the dead man's father and mother, Captain and Mrs. Jocelyn Bray, of Ockham, Surrey, arrived yesterday. It said: "Very much regret report Reynold drowned on September 14 near Igloolik."

And his widow, when I saw her last night in her mother's home in Claygate, said: "I have a letter written to him, ready to post. But it is no use now."

Bray's name adds another to a scroll of English heroes in the snow and ice of polar adventure.

DISCOVERED NEW TRACTS

Scott and Shackleton found fame in the South. Bay and his com-



This is one of the first pictures ever taken inside the Cloisters of the famous Cistercian Abbey, Mount Melleray, Co., Waterford. It shows a monk in his impressive robes in meditation in the beautiful sunlit cloisters. The strict discipline of the Mount Melleray monks is voluntarily enforced, Prayer, fasting and manual labour are the rules here.

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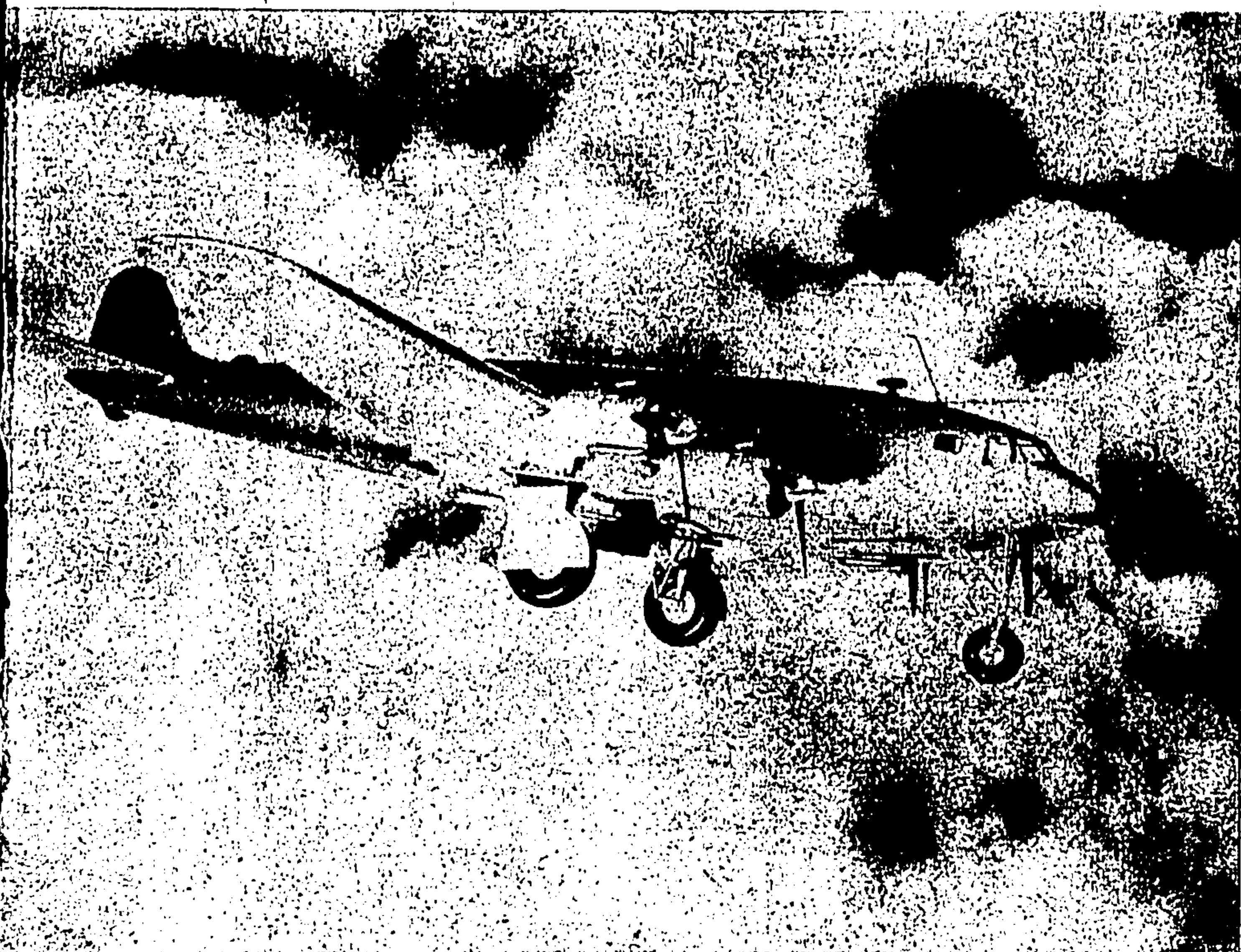
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will soon be producing air-liners with an all-round performance at least comparable (and in places showing a marked advance) with the most up-to-date passenger carrying planes in the new aircraft is the outcome of an invitation by the Air Ministry to leading British aircraft designers to design a large, fast air liner, embodying the latest developments. The Fairey Aviation Co., Ltd., have now been notified that the design they submitted has been successful and an order has been placed with them. Work on these machines will start immediately. The new air liner will have a cruising speed of 275 m.p.h. and a cruising altitude of 10,000 feet at 220 m.p.h. A low wing all metal monoplane, the craft has a retractable tricycle landing gear and four engines each of approximately 1,000 h.p. Photo shows a model of the new air

found new tracts in accuracies. ed," wrote Scott in the tent, "we should be able to tell that would be the heart of every

Reynold Jocelyn had no mean tale to tell the first white man to set foot from Baffin Bay to the western coastline to the west; he was a member of the expedition led by T. H. Manning to explore 10,000 square miles to the west of Canada by existing map in-

Bray, an expert on birds, was one of Britain's outstanding young explorers.

The expedition was only beginning when he died. Ahead lay a journey of 3,500 miles in open boat and inland travel by dog teams of 12,000 miles. They expected to be away for four years.

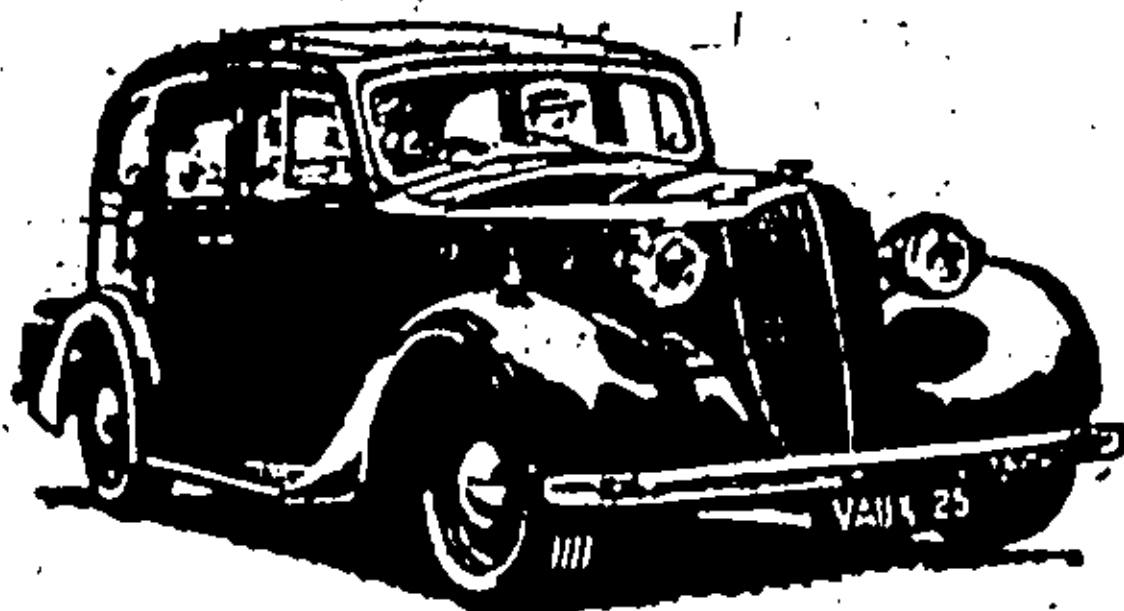
His widow, Gillian Bray, is twenty-eight.

"The extreme cold would leave him no chance," she said to me. "Nobody could swim in these ice floes."

And she went back to nurse Handa, the daughter named after an island and orphaned by the Arctic ice.

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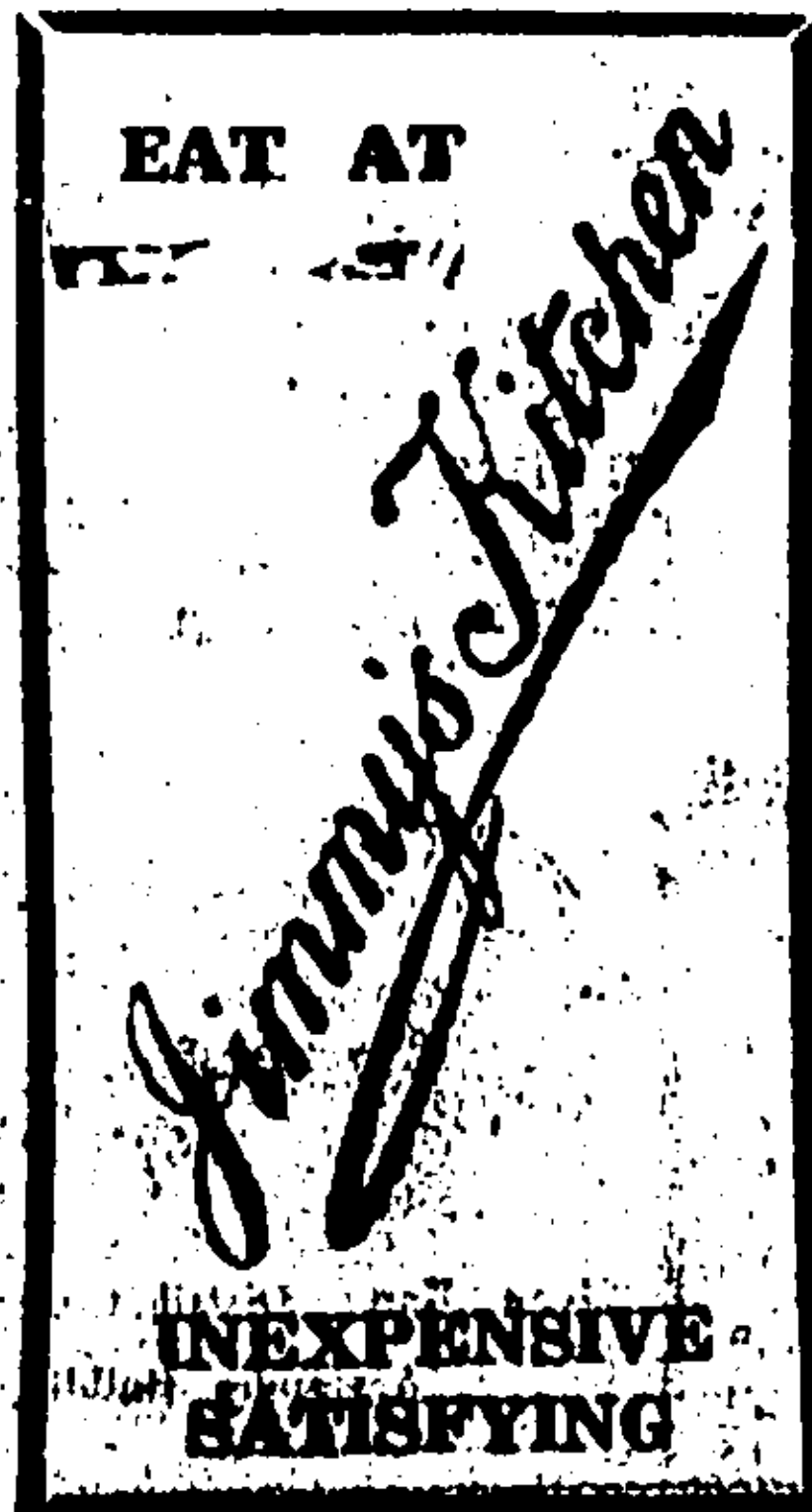


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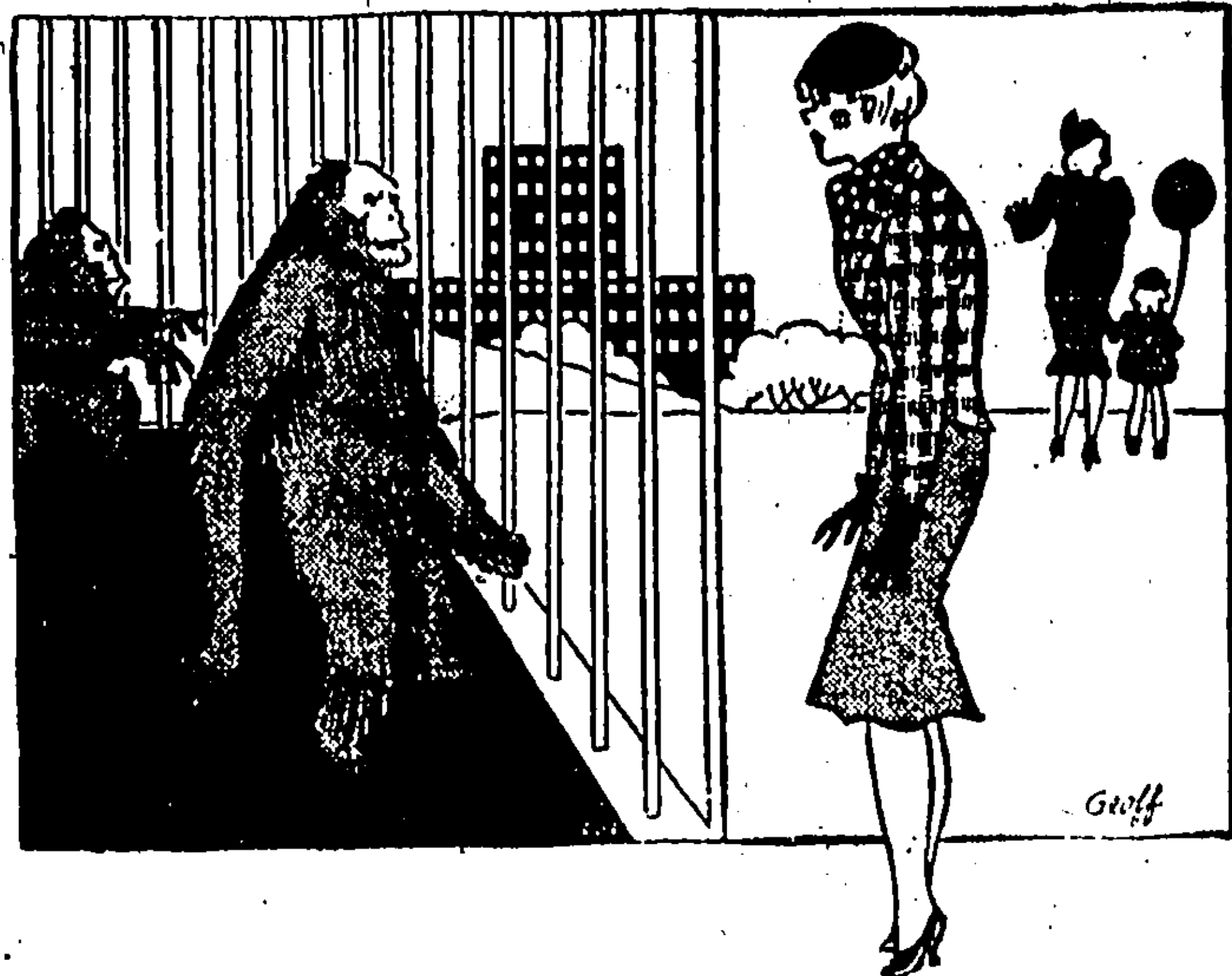
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THE ape, my dears, can teach us two much needed lessons—how to relax and how to acquire poise!

The next time you are in a zoo pay special attention to the way an ape stands as he peers at you with impertinent eyes. His knees are slightly flexed, his arms dangle loosely with palms open, his tail is tucked under. His spine and head balance "easy." But at an instant's notice the ape has full control of every muscle (including his tail!) and he can madly dash yards away and climb to a swinging bar. From his new vantage point he looks at you with steady eyes and cool poise!

Nothing apparently disturbs the apes we see, other than a late meal or an ill companion. He is master of the difficult art of relaxation! And because of it he has an enviable poise.

IMITATE HIM AT HOME

To relieve tense muscles and nerves you can do no better than

imitate the ape at home. Put your feet at least one yard apart, bend your knees slightly, drop your shoulders and yet your arms dangle as if they didn't belong to your body. Tuck your buttocks under and let your spine and head be so relaxed that they will sway from side to side as you walk about the room. Do this for several minutes and then lie down—think of nothing—and try to take forty winks.

This exercise is splendid just before you go to bed. If you can do it in the nude unhampered with clothing—and let the air get at your skin. If you still feel a tension in your neck and brain go-through that head rotating movement which I have given you.

Bend the head to the left then rotate it—bend it backward, to the right side, way down in front, back into position. After doing this ten times, reverse the direction and do it ten times more.

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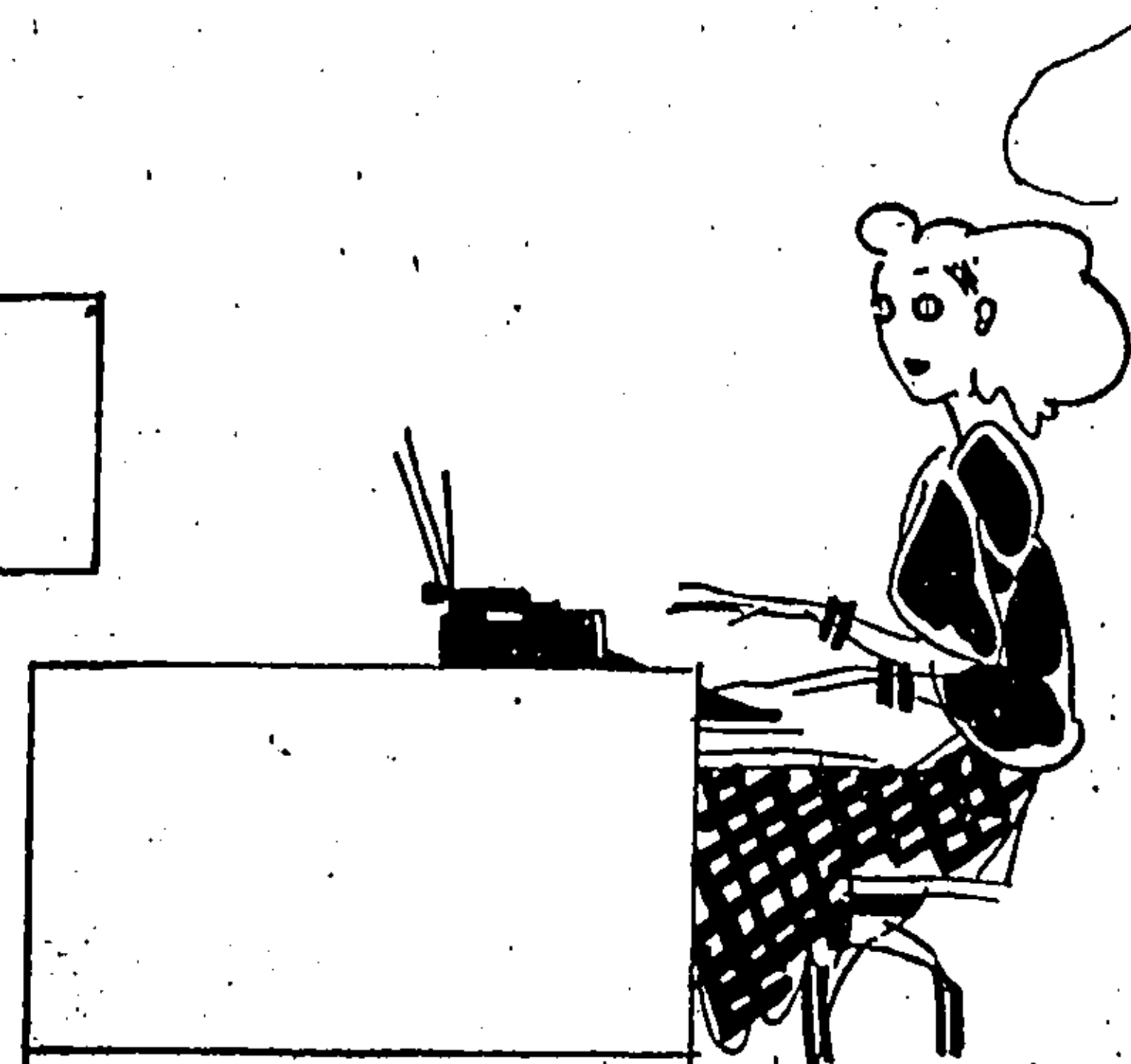
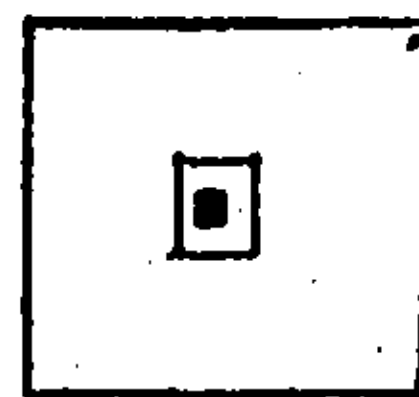
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IN YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

Whenever you remember to go through one or the other corrective exercises which you should by now have. By developing this simple habit you will in time, find yourself in full control of every muscle. It will be quite natural for you to stand in good posture and to walk or dance with graceful movements. But until you do get acquainted with your muscles—as the ape has his—the zoo will be one up on you!

Before going on this reducing diet get approval of a physician.

NINTH DAY BREAKFAST

Drink the strained juice of a lemon in 2/3 glass of warm water every morning directly after early elimination, at least one half hour before breakfast 50
Choice of:
1 ordinary drink tumbler of unsweetened pineapple and prune juice mixed 100

1/2 cup dark farina with 1/2 cup skimmed milk 125
Little honey to sweeten 25
Clear coffee or tea with lemon (or no beverage) —

Total 300

LUNCHEON

Tomato stuffed with chopped celery and apple on lettuce with 1 tbsp. mayonnaise .. 150
1 slice rye, whole wheat or bran bread 50
1 tsp. butter 30
1 melon or fruit jello 100

Total 330

DINNER

2 stalks celery 15
Roast lamb with mint sauce 2 slices 3 1/2"x4 1/2"x1 1/8" ... 200
1 cup cooked carrots 100
3/4 cup green peas 100
1/2 cup bread pudding 100
3/4 cup skimmed milk 50

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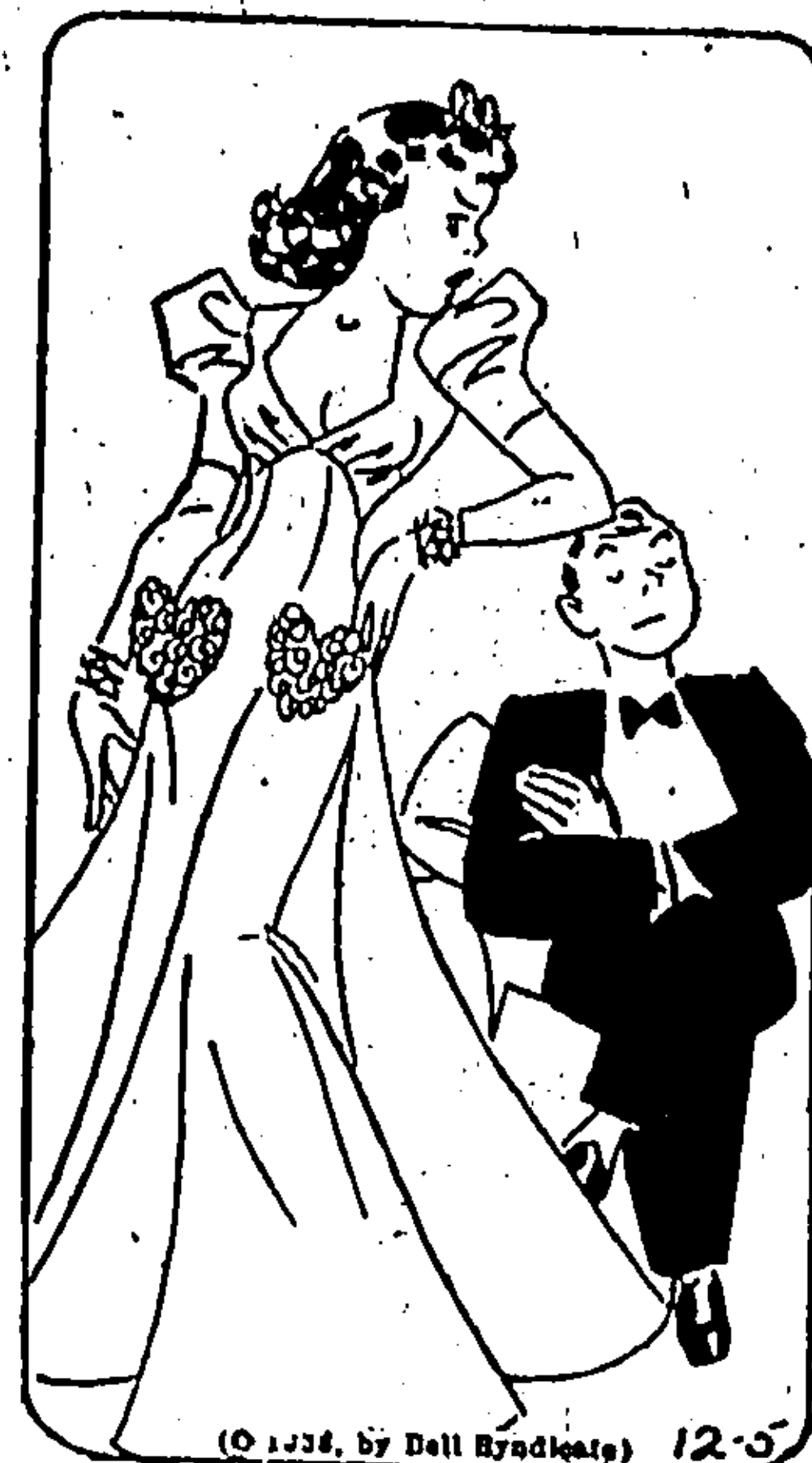
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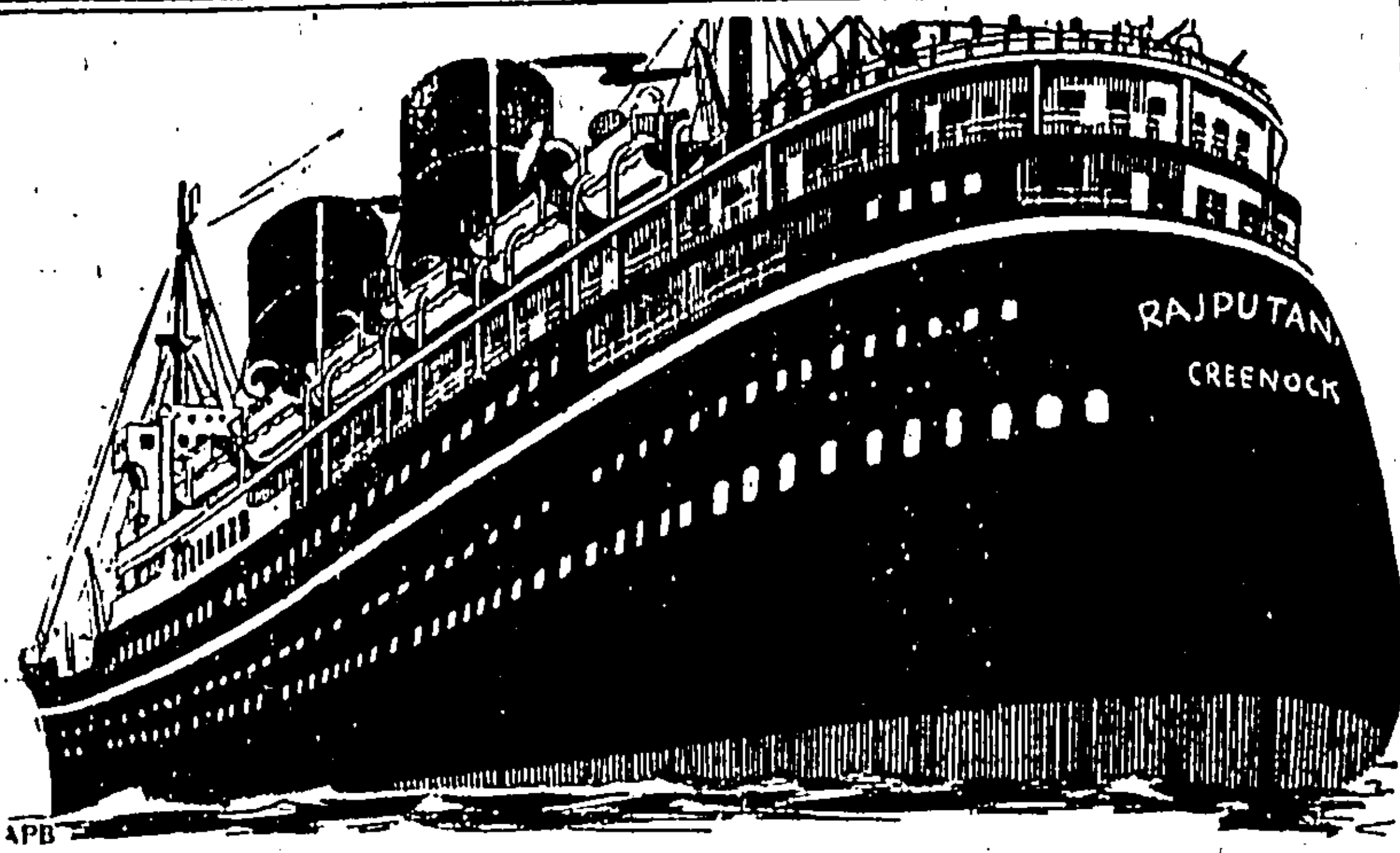
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 24th Dec.)	Emp. of Asia	January 13.
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Batavia	Tjibadak	Jan. 11, 10 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi	Kiangsu	Wed., Jan. 11, Noon.
Swatow and Foochow	Haitan	Jan. 11, 3 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Yunnan	Jan. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Yum Sang	Jan. 11, 3.30 p.m.
	THURSDAY	
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Manila and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Potsdam	Thur., Jan. 12, 4.30 p.m.
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Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 19th Jan.	Imperial Airways Plane	Jan. 12.
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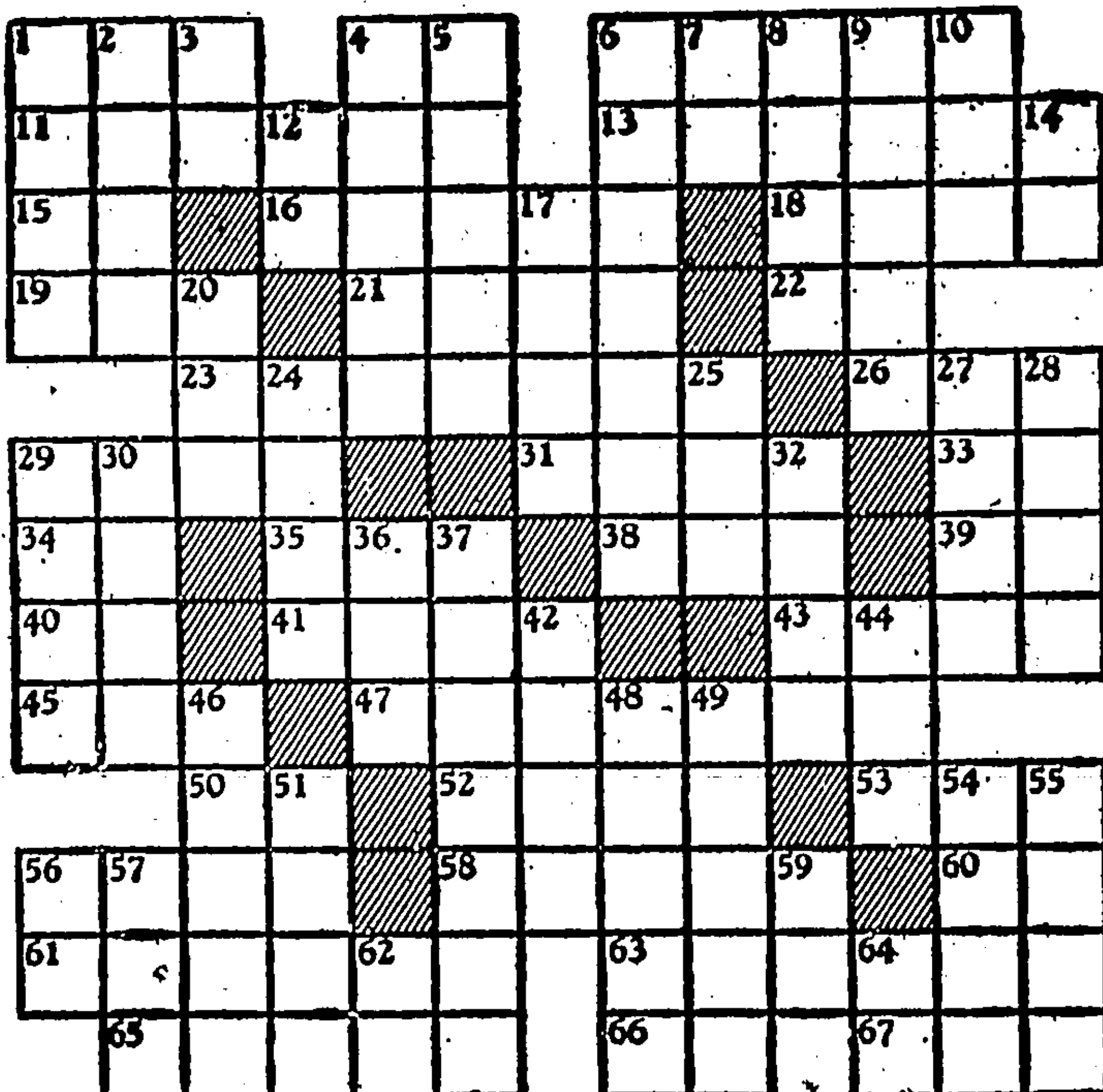
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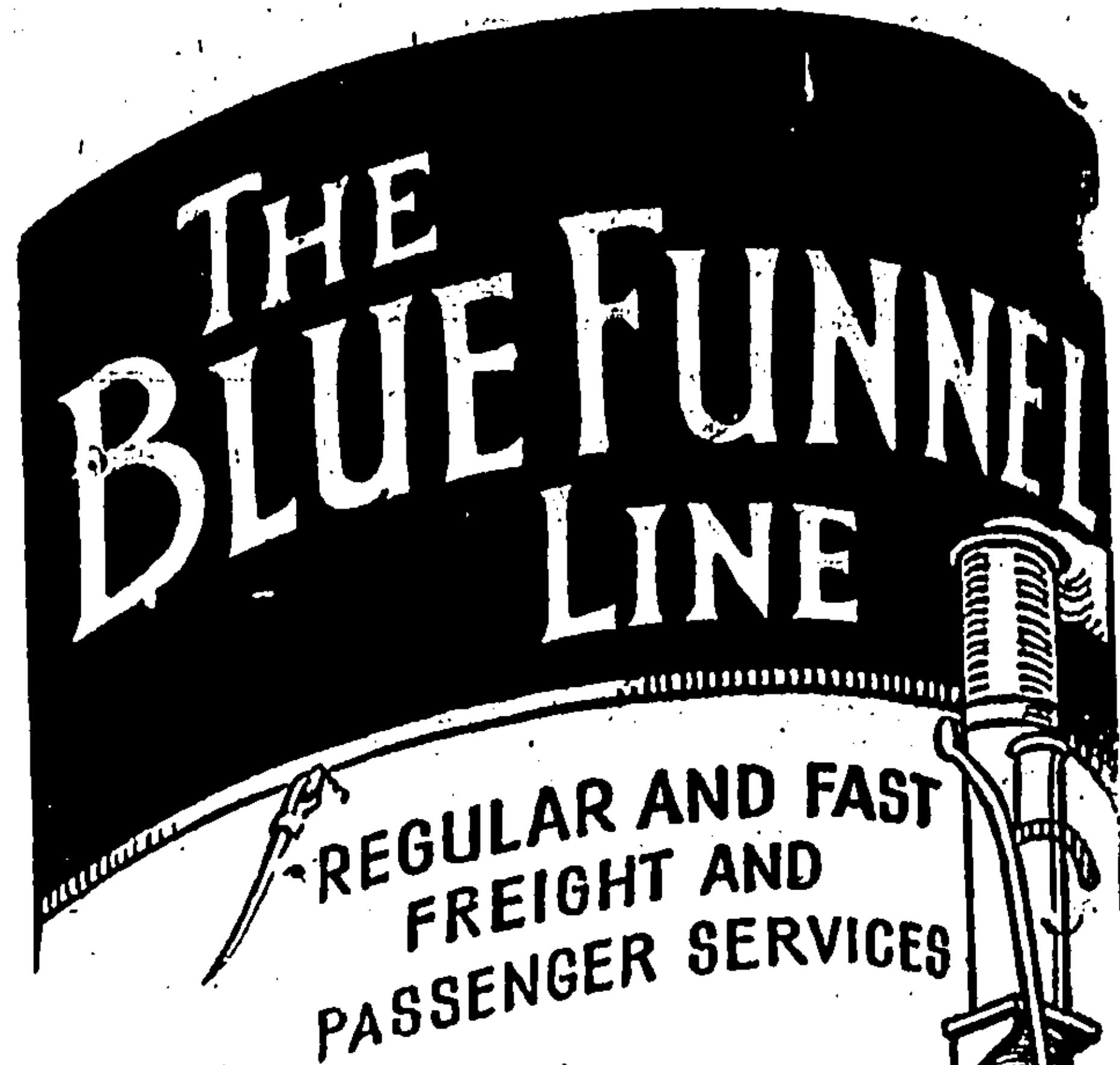
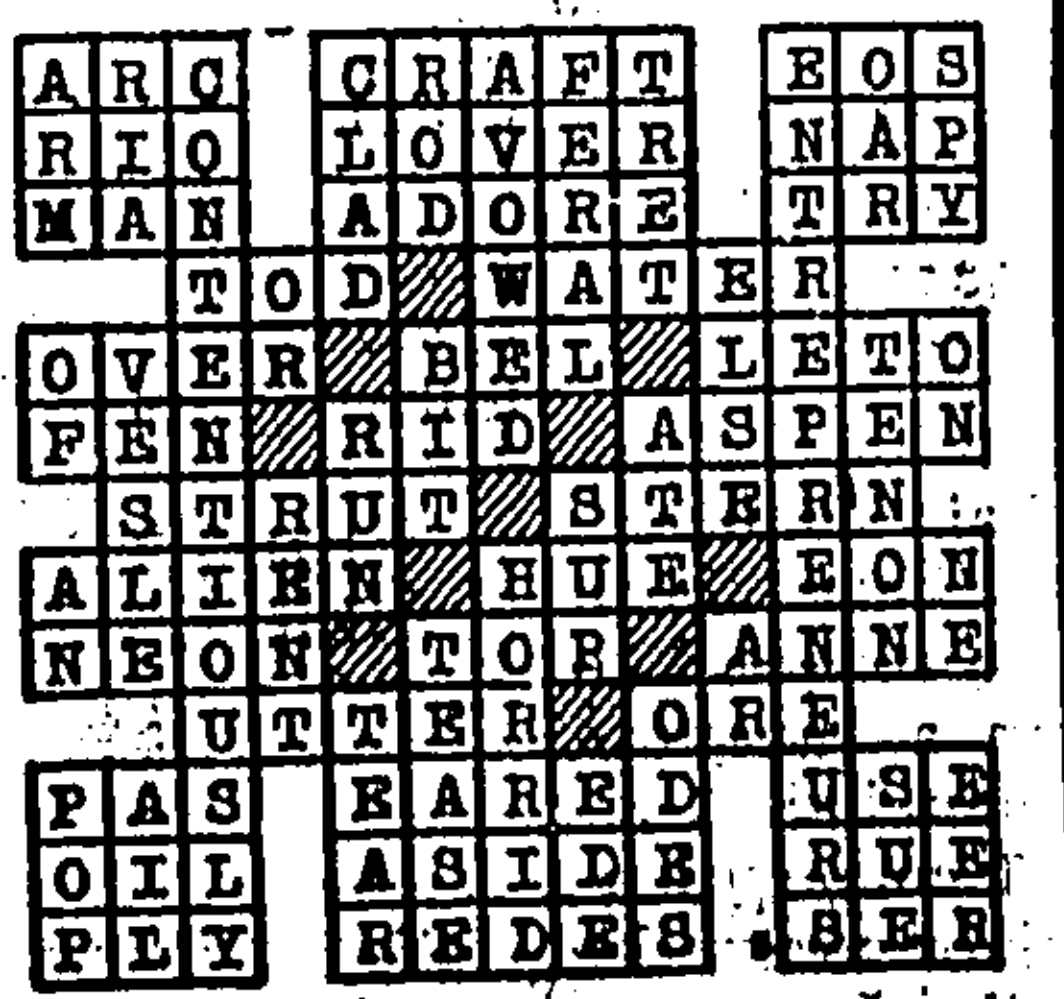
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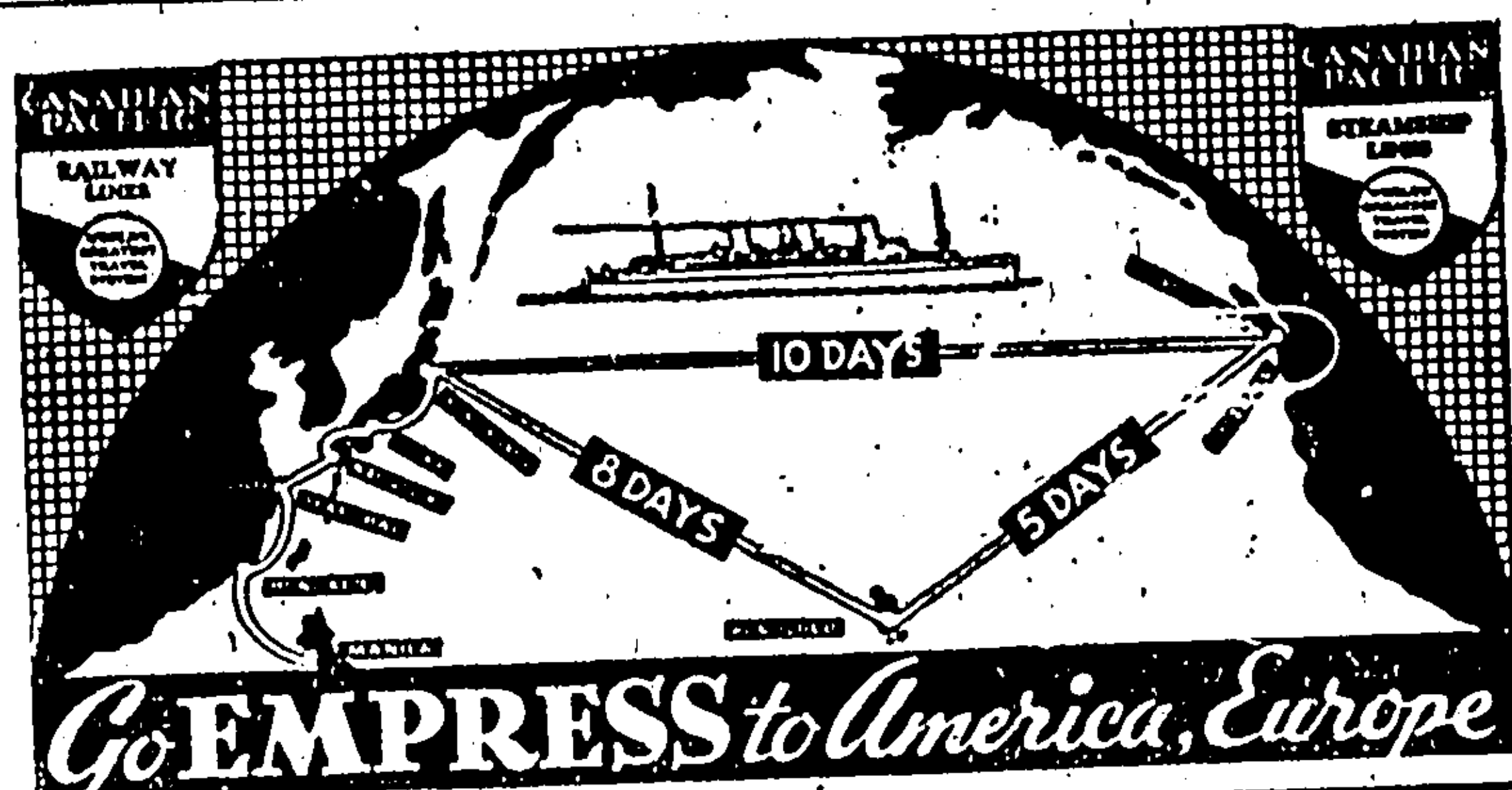
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ARMED ROBBERY NEAR REPULSE BAY HOTEL

About 7 o'clock yesterday morning two men entered an unnumbered hut on the hillside at Repulse Bay, occupied by Chan Tong and his wife. They were armed with a dagger and stick. On entering the hut they demanded opium and after this had been given them they asked for money. When this was refused they attacked the man and proceeded to tie him up. The wife who was sleeping in the cockloft was awakened and tried to raise the alarm. She managed to get out of the hut but one of the robbers threw a piece of rock at her and hit her. She was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital but was not detained. After hitting her they gagged her and attempted to throw her into a nullah.

One of the men was arrested by the complainant's nephew shortly after on the hillside while the other man was arrested by foks of the Repulse Bay Garage.

The only thing stolen was an opium pipe, valued at \$3.

The men, Hong Wah and Wong Fun, were this morning charged with robbery by violence before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest and were remanded for 24 hours.

Inspector Darkin is in charge of the case.

EVADED FERRY FARE

A Chinese male of about twenty years of age, was to-day charged at the Central Magistracy with trying to defraud the Hong Kong, Yaumati Ferry of the fee usually charged third class passengers.

An inspector of the Hong Kong and Yaumati ferry, the complainant in the case, stated that he had boarded the "Man Yeung" at five a.m. and saw defendant sitting on a stack of newspapers. He asked defendant for his ticket. Defendant answered that he had a ferry ticket. When asked to produce same he could not do so. He was then advised by another newspaper seller to tell the truth. He admitted his statement was untrue, and was then taken to the Police station where he was charged.

His, the defendant's, assertion was that the complainant tried to fine him three dollars, also that he had arrived at the ferry at 4 a.m. and went aboard to keep warm. He said that he had had no intention of defrauding the Ferry Co. He was found guilty and fined \$20.

GERMANS LEAVE HANKOW

Shanghai, To-day.
Six Germans who have been residing in Hankow are reported to have left that city on a Japanese transport ship for Shanghai.

Since the rupture of communications between Hankow and the areas unoccupied by the Japanese, foreigners have been unable to leave Hankow except in those few cases where the Japanese authorities have granted them permission to get to Shanghai on a Japanese ship or aeroplane.—Trans-Ocean.

SZECHUEN STEEL FACTORY

Shanghai, To-day.

In pursuance of the plan for moving important industries into the interior of China, the Chungking Government has established a steel factory in Szechuen province. It already has a daily output of ten tons of steel.

It is revealed that 1,000 tons of steel, removed from the Wuhu and Hankow area before the Japanese occupation, are now being used in Szechuen for the manufacture of arms and other war material. —Trans-Ocean.

PICKPOCKET NABBED

Before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, Lam Choi 28, unlicensed hawker, was charged with larceny of a purse containing \$10 from a tailor named Lai Lok-man at Queen's Road Central near Wing Kut Street.

Defendant pleaded not guilty and said that he picked the purse up from the side of the road, and was apprehended.

Complainant Lai said that some person took his purse from his pocket, while he was at Wing Kut Street. An unknown man told him to chase a man dressed in black, but at the same time, someone called him from behind, and he saw defendant arrested.

Chinese Detective Chau Kwong, said he actually saw defendant pick Lai's pocket.

Defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

TREE STRIPPING

Chung Kui, a Chinese female was this morning charged at the Central Police Station, with unlawfully possessing 50 cabbies of tree branches. Her defence was that she thought it was alright to take them as she thought they looked very dry. She was found guilty of having stripped them off live trees. She was fined \$20 with the alternative of serving a month's hard labour.

CZECH FINANCIAL TALKS IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Czech financial delegation will arrive in London to-morrow to resume the negotiations for a further loan from Britain to rehabilitate Czechoslovakia.

It is understood the Prague Government is anxious for a total loan of £30,000,000, of which £10,000,000 has already been granted.

Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, economic adviser to the British Government, will participate in the talks.—Reuter.

AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW

London, To-day.

Sir William Seeds, the newly appointed British Ambassador in Moscow, left London yesterday morning to enter upon his post.

Sir William Seeds is the successor in Moscow of Lord Chilton who resigned upon reaching the age limit.—Trans-Ocean.

THE NIGHT OF THE LONG KNIVES

(Continued from Page 2)

Godesberg (where he later received Mr. Chamberlain), set out by plane for Munich. He landed at 4 a.m. The town slept, but a picked detachment of his personal Black Guard awaited him.

The clean up had already begun. The local Brownshirt leaders were under arrest. With his own hands Hitler tore their shoulder straps off.

At 6.30 he was en route for Bad Wiessee, where Rohm lay. The long column of black cars rushed at breakneck speed through the lovely summer morning.

Hitler Whipped A Man Senseless

The first man whom they encountered on arrival Hitler struck across the face with his whip, beating him senseless. He strode up to Rohm's room. The commander of the "Militia of the Streets" lay groaning in his bed with a hangover. In the next room lay Heines, police chief of Breslau, "with the evidence of his shameful vice still present." He had flogged Jews to death, committed murder. He was shot of hand, but not for his viciousness, his cruelty or his crime. Rohm was put into a car and driven back to Munich. He was thrown into a cell, a revolver was laid on the table. "No!" said Rohm, who had killed many men and never feared to look on death, "If Adolf wants to shoot me, he can do it himself." After two hours he was led out and placed against the wall.

Several hundred made the same short walk. Karl Ernst, Hayn, Heydelreek Koch, Lasch Uhl—they were the heroes of the Brownshirt army. All day, all night, the Black Guard squads lined the execution yards, firing, firing. Ernst, dragged back from the boat at Hamburg as he was going on holiday with his young wife (Hitler had been best man), fell believing that the Guard who shot him had mutinied against Hitler. He cried, "Heil Hitler!" as the volley broke.

They Sent The Widow His Urn

Six plain clothes men drove up to General von Schleicher's house, forced their way in. The General sat at breakfast with his wife. They shot him down, her too. Murderers called on his colleague, General von Bredow "to take him for a ride." They fetched Gregor Strasser, one time leader of the Nazi "Left." Four days later his widow received his urn.

Men attended on Edgar Jung, secretary to Von Papen, on Von Bose, his chief clerk, on Dr. Schotte, his friend. The three were shot.

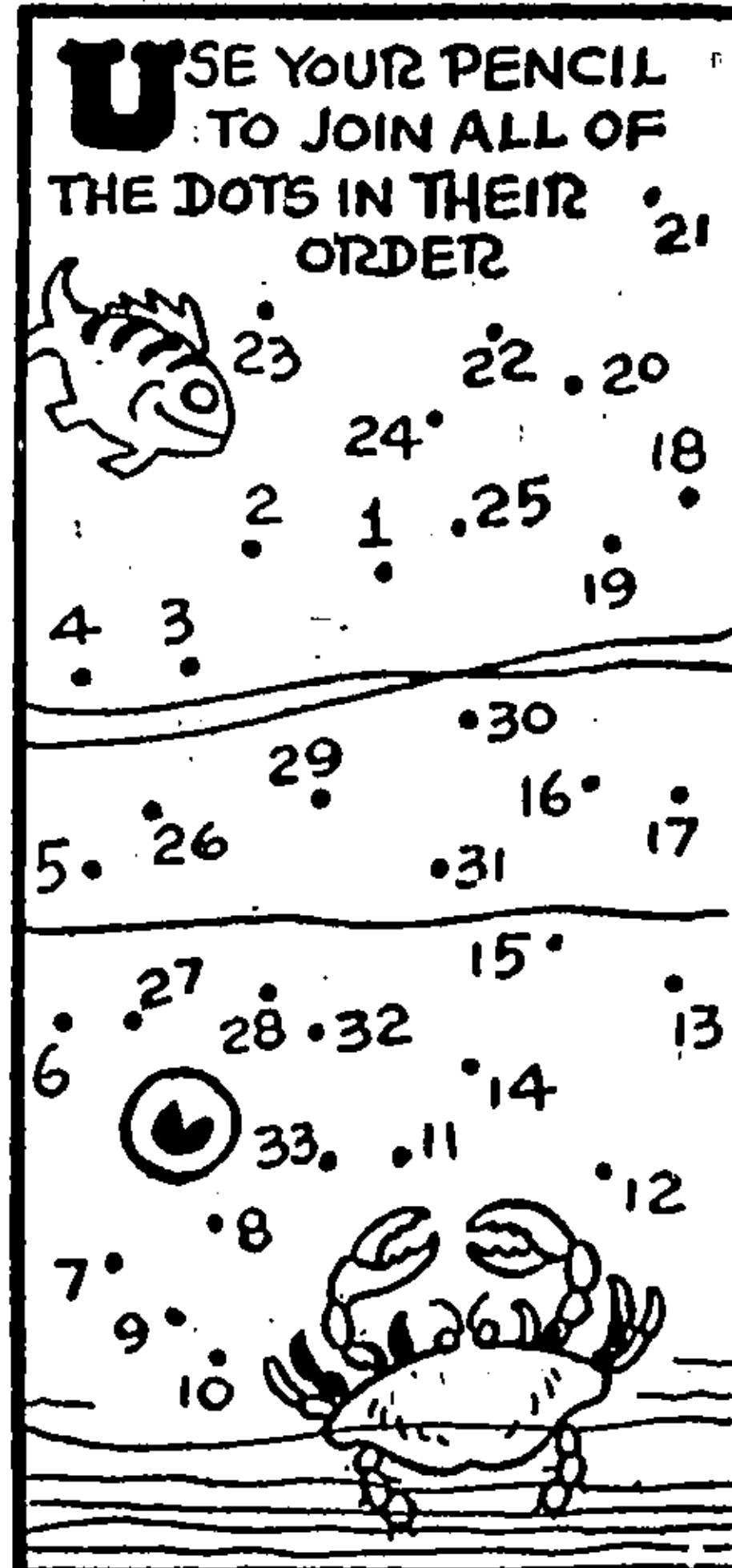
Men fetched old Von Kahr, one-time Dictator of Bavaria, who had refused to march with Hitler in the Beer Hall putsch ten years earlier. They beat him to death with hatchets, threw his body in the swamp.

Seventy-seven names were given out as "executed." Later Hitler admitted "some hundreds." Probably a thousand fell. If it was decimation of his Brownshirt army, it was lenient. "Mutinies," said Hitler, in his justifying speech to the Reichstag, "must be broken by the age-old, inexorable iron laws." A thousand is not so bad, out of three million mutineers.

"Shoot First" Was Law For A Day

But was it mutiny? There is no more proof of it than of the "Communist insurrection" which was to break out at the signal of the

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to yesterday's puzzle:



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Reichstag fire. Hitler's case is that he prevented both.

But if it was mutiny, at any rate incipient, what was General von Schleicher, the "Reichswehr's favourite son," doing in that gallery with Rohm, the gangster? And Strasser, the Radical—what had he in common with Von Papen's clique, the Junker Diehards? And Von Kahr, the veteran Catholic leader—did he have communion with Ernst, who mocked at God?

Hitler claimed, "For 24 hours I was the Supreme Court of the German People!" He was not. He was one man strangling the wolf that had suckled him. Those about him took the occasion to settle their own outstanding accounts. For 24 hours the only law that ruled in Germany was the gang law, "Shoot First!"

For the student of history the destruction of the Brown Army by its founder is an illuminating but not a unique chapter in the story of dictatorship. For the moralist there may be a thought in this: For 14 years the Storm battalions had been promised, "There will be a Night of the Long Knives!" Indeed, there was. But it was the Brown-shirts that were carved.

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RECREIO'S BADMINTON WIN OVER VARSITY "B"

In the "A" Division of the Men's Badminton League last night, Recreio defeated University "B" by 8 games to 1.

Scores were:—
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio).

beat C. S. Loke and K. H. Goh 21—17

beat C. H. Soon and S. H. Ling 21—7

beat S. Y. Hou and O. S. Lim 21—12

M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios (Recreio).

beat Loke and Goh 21—19

beat Soon and Ling 21—9

beat Hou and Lim 21—15

H. A. Barros and Dr. A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio).

lost to Loke and Goh 16—21

beat Soon and Ling 21—18

beat Hou and Lim 23—22

Club "A" Fifteen To Meet Naval Side

A Rugby game will be held on the Club ground, at Happy Valley, to-morrow at 4.45 p.m., when the Club "A" XV will play a Navy side.

Club's team has been selected as follows:—

J. T. Brown; H. F. Hopkins, E. M. Watts, F. M. Thompson, D. I. Bosanquet; J. Hutchison, J. R. Henderson; R. G. L. Oliphant, J. S. Dunnet (Captain), E. W. Stout; A. F. Walkden, G. M. Marrs; W. Stoker, G. L. Eastgate and K. H. G. White.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-5/16 and forward at 19-15/16.

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MANILA SOCCER VISIT CERTAINTY

Colony Side Will Be More Representative

LAI WAH CUP AND SHIELD MATCHES TO SERVE AS INTERPORT TRIALS

Financial Responsibility Question Must Be Probed

(By "UBIQUE")

THOUGH Manila has not yet officially accepted Hong Kong's invitation to visit the Colony during the Chinese New Year holidays there is every indication from correspondence between the two contracting bodies, that the visit will materialise, and, in view of the fact that Manila did well against the Islington Corinthians last May, several interesting games should be witnessed here.

In the absence of any restrictions on the number of Service players in the Colony team against Manila and with the presence of the Navy in the Colony during that time, Hong Kong should be more fully represented than it has been in past encounters with Shanghai.

Manila has made great strides in football in recent years and both Eastern and the Royal Ulster Rifles, then champions of the First Division, did not have matters their own way when they visited the Philippines two seasons ago, and there is every reason to believe that they will extend any Colony side.

Added to this, the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation have recently been encouraging football and have gone to the expenses of inviting teams to the Islands whenever possible.

TWO VISITING TEAMS

The Straits Chinese team are due there in the middle of March, while they are also keen on Hong Kong visiting them during April or early May.

The Semi-final Round of the Lai Wah Competition, which will be played on January 21, and the Semi-final Round of the Senior Shield Competition will be very much in the nature of trials for the Interport, as there does not seem to be any free week-ends on which trials may be held.

Conscientious selection of the

various teams for the Lai Wah cup would greatly assist the selectors, whose task should not be a formidable one.

A SUGGESTION

With reference to the team to visit Manila in April, it would be most advisable for the Association to sound the different clubs and find out which players would, if selected, be able to make the trip, thus saving much unnecessary trouble and inconvenience by last minute refusals, as had been the custom in the past.

Another point that should be borne in mind is that the team should be chosen as soon as possible, so that if necessary, selected players can apply for the necessary leave, thus giving them time to make arrangements in the office for their work.

Adverse criticism was levelled at the Association on the expense incurred in the last interport and as the series with Manila may be the predecessor of others to follow, an opportunity should be taken of deciding the exact financial responsibility each port is to shoulder in all the series.

At the Reception & Luncheon to His Majesty the King of Roumania given at the Guildhall on Wednesday, 16th November, the following wines were served —

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SOUTH CHINA WIN SECOND MATCH

The South China Athletic Association, at present in Saigon, won the second match of their tour when they defeated the Sun Kung Football Club, an Annamite side, by four clear goals. Chan Tak-fai, Fung King-cheung and Lai Shui-wing (2) were the goal-scorers.

LAI WAH CUP AND SENIOR SHIELD DRAWS MADE

Manila Invited To Visit Colony

A meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association Council was held last night when the draws for the Lai Wah Cup and the Shield replay and semi-finals were made. Arrangements for the China-England match in the "Sunday Herald" Cup was left to the Management Committee.

The sum of \$2,028.77, which was the amount of the net proceeds at the match on December 18 for the late Shiu Chak-wing, who was fatally injured in a football match, will be handed to his dependants.

The meeting also disclosed that it had invited a team from Manila to play in Hong Kong during the Chinese New Year and that it expected to receive official confirmation within the next few days of the date of sailing of the team.

A tentative programme of three matches has been arranged against the Colony, the Chinese, and the Rest of the Colony.

Lai Wah Cup

The draw for the Lai Wah Cup is: Civilians v. Army, Kowloon Football Club ground, January 21. Chinese v. Navy, Club ground, January 22.

Shield Replay

South China "A" v. Kowloon, Caroline Hill, February 4. Eastern v. South China "B", Caroline Hill, February 5.

Shield Semi-Finals (Senior)

South China "A" or Kowloon v. Eastern or South China "B", Sookun-poo, February 11. Police v. St. Joseph's, Navy ground, February 12.

Shield Semi-Finals (Junior)

Royal Engineers v. Middlesex, Kowloon, February 11. P.W.D. v. Royal Scots, Club ground, February 12.

YOUNG BOXING CHAMPION TO DEFEND TITLE

Eric Boon Matched With Danahar

London, To-day.

Eric Boon, who has made boxing history by winning a British Championship and Lonsdale Belt at the age of 18, will defend his British Lightweight Boxing Championship against the challenge of Arthur Danahar, of Bethnal Green.

The fight will be sponsored by the Harringay Stadium and will be held on February 23. It has the sanction of the British Boxing Board of Control.—Reuter.

HOME SOCCER

London, To-day.

Queen's Park Rangers secured another two points in the Third Division (South) yesterday when they beat Northampton by 3 clear goals, while in Third Division (North) Halifax and Darlington shared two goals.—Reuter.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Novel Putting Device

IT will be generally agreed that the first-class golfer is the man who drives far and sure, finds the green with the iron shots, and putts consistently well. The player who excels in all departments becomes a champion. In relation to the vast number of golfers, the proportion who earn distinction in the game is extremely small, the reason being that in one department or another, 100 per cent. efficiency is not attained.

The non-golfer finds it difficult to believe that what to him seems the simplest part of the game—the putting—should be regarded by the expert as the most difficult. "Why all this mystery about hitting a small ball into a large hole? Even a child could do it," says the onlooker. While there is no mystery, it so happens that most professionals fall down in the one branch of the game which gives the appearance of being the easiest.

How many times has one heard well-known professionals say, "I can drive 250 yards with my eyes shut, but I'm hanged if I can hole a putt of 4 ft. with my eyes wide open."

How then can we so perfect the technique of putting that the 50 per cent. basis, or better, can consistently be maintained? That it will have to be better—an average of thirty-two putts—if we are to do any good, is clearly proved by the performances of the experts. It was the late Harry Vardon who coined the phrase, "Putting is a game within a game." He declared that the technique required for putting was quite different from that of any other shot. So it is, though one factor is common in all shots—the follow-through.

Mechanical precision in striking is required in putting, and to arrive at this state it does not matter two straws whether you use the popular reverse-overlap—the first finger of the left hand riding on the little finger of the right—the ordinary overlap, the interlocking, or any other form of grip. The thing to aim at is to get the putter head square to the line of the putt at impact and then follow-through on the same line.

The difficulty confronting the player is to know when the putter-head is not moving on the straight line.

An ingenious device has been invented by Professor A. M. Low, and was recently demonstrated by Compston, a prince of putters, for which it is claimed a golfer can tell when the putter is straying from the proper path. The device is in the shape of a small tubular flash-lamp attached by a clip to the lower part of the club shaft. Immediately there is a deviation of the clubhead from the true line the lamp flashes a red light, indicating either pulling or slicing.

While the device cannot be used in actual play it serves a purpose in putting practice, if only to tell the player whether he is swinging in a straight line or otherwise. Though not a golfer, Professor Low says that it is a common-sense matter of plain geometry that the direction of striking must be exactly along a straight line leading to the point where the ball must travel. Questions of stance, of grip, of type club, do not enter into the matter; what is vital is that direction must be made certain.

While the tell-tale lamp is a fascinating mechanical device, one will always remember what Francis Ouimet, still one of the greatest putters, once said "I don't believe in putting practice; it does more harm than good. Putting is inspirational; you either putt well or you don't. That's all there is to it."

Henry Armstrong, the world lightweight and welterweight boxing titleholder, will meet Baby Arizmendi (Mexico) in a welterweight championship fight at Los Angeles to-day. Armstrong will be defending his title for the third time in six weeks—an unprecedented happening in boxing history.

Golf Pros. Ranked For 1938

OUR LONDON AIR MAIL SPORTS NEWS

Scotland Solve Problem of Rugby Hooker

Scotland beat The Rest in the International Rugby Trial at Selkirk by two goals (10 Points) to nothing. One change from the original selection was intimated, J. R. Hogg (Hawick) taking the place of Henderson in the Rest pack. Scotland deserved to win, but the margin of points rather flatters them.

An important feature of the game was the struggle at forward and the changes at half-time, Inglis and Borwick, from Scotland's pack, for Gallie and Weston, from the Rest certainly resulted in Scotland receiving a larger share of the ball. Another feature was the resolute tackling of Forrest and Thomson by the newcomers, Innes and Young.

The Rest backs saw little of the ball in the second half, and their value as an attacking force could scarcely be assessed. Anderson (Stewarts) took Adair's place at the base of the scrum-mage, but the sluggish heeling scarcely gave him a chance either. For the winners Crawford was outstanding in a pack which took rather long to settle down, and Scotland seems to have solved her problem of a hooker with R. W. Simpson (London Scottish).

Also outstanding Scotland's pack were Duff and Ray. Wilson Shav was unusually subdued, and seldom attempted anything on his own. Dorward gave him an excellent service, and Forrest and Thomson got ample opportunities. Both made little of their chances, mainly owing to the embarrassing attentions of Waters, and Melville did some excellent things. Neither full-back was brilliant, but Grieve was the better. Fyfe and Craig did well on the wings, but, taken all over, the wings got few scoring chances.

The only score in the first half was a clever try by Fyfe, who eluded very effectively two defenders, and Crawford converted. In the second half Crawford kicked a loose ball ahead and scored beneath the posts adding the extra points himself.

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New Table Tennis "Shamateur" Rule

There are no amateurs, professionals or "shamateurs" in table tennis. This is claimed by the English Table Tennis Association, whose new rules were published recently.

"The terms 'amateur' and 'professional' have been deleted from the constitution and that of 'player' substituted," states the hon. secretary, Mr. W. J. Pope. "Any player, by making application to be placed on a register, can be authorised to accept money for playing and coaching without affecting his status. He can still play in all tournaments and is eligible to play for his county or country in the same way as an unregistered player."

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Tommy Farr's Return Bout With Louis Fades

Tommy Farr's hopes of another contest with Joe Louis for the heavy-weight championship of the world were shattered when, at the Madison Square Garden, he was outpointed by the twenty-three-year-old Lou Nova, in an exciting fifteen-round contest.

A left hook to the jaw in the fourteenth round, up to which point he had victory within his grasp, completely changed the outlook for Farr. After a slow and cautious start, Farr began to wear his man down, and he appeared to be well ahead on points when Nova, in sheer desperation, fought wildly. He rushed in madly with arms flailing, and there was undoubtedly an element of luck about the blow which sent Farr staggering across the ring. Tough as he is, Farr never recovered from that blow, and Nova, realising that he had his man at his mercy, went on to punish him severely.

Anomalies Of Present Method

FIRST PLACE TO R.A. WHITCOMBE: PERRY'S BRILLIANT RECORD

(By AIR MAIL)

The compilation of a ranking list of British professionals for 1938 is complicated by reason of the method adopted by the Professional Golfers' Association in arriving at the champion of the year. The distinction goes to Cotton, who is awarded the Vardon Memorial Trophy, the winning of which is based on averages for a minimum number of rounds in certain specified score events.

Cotton played the required minimum of sixteen rounds, for which his average was 72.87. And yet, not only did he fail to win one of the scheduled tournaments, but was unsuccessful in every event in which he competed in this country. Such a situation is, of course, anomalous, and it comes as no surprise to learn that the body responsible for the award to the Vardon trophy has adopted a different method for the future.

It would be thought that either R. A. Whitcombe, winner of the Open championship, or Perry, who captured most of the principal events, would be the champion of the year. Not a bit of it; Whitcombe, who played 20 rounds in the scheduled events, was second with an average of 73.35, while Perry, with the same number of rounds, was third with 73.4. All this rather goes to show that scores are not always a dependable guide to a player's tournament winning powers.

NEW SYSTEM

Under the new system adopted for finding the champion of the year, points will be awarded as in cross-country running. The winner scores one point, the second man two, the third man three, and so on. For example, the winner of the Open championship will score one point. If by some dreadful mischance Cotton finishes in fifteenth place, he will be credited with 15 points. The player with the smallest aggregate is the winner of the Vardon trophy.

On this method of calculation, which seems the fairer R. A. Whitcombe would have been the winner with 58 points, while Perry, with 59, would have been second. Cotton, with 70 points, would have been third, and Padgham fourth with 79 points.

AN ELUSIVE TASK

This year's ranking list differs considerably from the official list based on the elusive average method. First place is given to R. A. Whitcombe; whose successes in the vilest weather in the Open championship at Sandwich, and the Brighton £1,000 tournament, were of a most striking character. Moreover, his performance in the Penfold £1,000 League tournament at Sandy Lodge disposed once and for all of the mistaken belief that he is a bad match player. He shared second place with B. Gadd, a single point behind the winner, P. Alliss.

Perry, who comes second on the list, has had a remarkably successful year. He has won three of the major events—the £2,000 tournament at Newcastle; the £750 match-play event at Leeds, and the £500 Dunlop-Metropolitan stroke-play competition at Wentworth. In the latter, known as the "Championship of Champions," Perry, with an aggregate of 273, spreadeagled the field. His rounds were 69, 68, 67, and 69, and he is the first player in a British tournament to break 70 in each of the four rounds.

PERRY'S FEAT

The same feat was accomplished by Lawson Little, the former American amateur, in the Canadian Open at Toronto two years ago. His four rounds of 67, 66, 69, 69 gave him an aggregate of 271. Perry's performance represented a combination of amazingly accurate iron shots and courageous putting, and his aggregate would have been lower still but for a hooked brassie shot out of bounds at the 71st hole. In spite of a superb third round of 64, which included only 29 putts and no figure over a 4, Cotton finished six strokes behind Perry. Cotton takes third place in the list.

Though failing to win any of the home events he must be given credit for his victories in the German, Belgium, and Czecho-Slovakian Open championships. While the opposition was of little account his scores were



good enough to have beaten almost anybody.

Taking the averages of the three leaders over the four tournaments in which they all took part, Perry comes first with 71.4 Cotton next with 72, and R. A. Whitcombe third with 72.5.

HONOURS AND SPOILS

The year's spoils, amounting to £13,000 in cash, were widely spread, for no other player, with the exception of Perry and Whitcombe, won more than one of the major tournaments. C. A. Whitcombe won the £1,000 event at Moor Park; Rees, the Match-play champion; Curtis the Southport £1,600 competition; Alliss the Professional League; and Locke, the Irish Open. Fourth place is awarded to Rees, who is the match-play champion for the second time in three years.

The complete ranking list is:—

1. R. A. WHITCOMBE.
2. A. PERRY.
3. T. H. COTTON.
4. D. J. REES.
5. C. A. WHITCOMBE.
6. J. ADAMS.
7. P. ALLISS.
8. D. CURTIS.

It will be noted that Padgham fails to get a place. He has had a barren year, and yet in the official list of averages he is sixth. Appended are the first twenty players, and their respective positions in the table:—

	Strokes.	Rounds.	Aver.
T. H. Cotton	1,445	20	72.25
A. Perry	1,741	24	72.54
R. A. Whitcombe	1,756	24	73.16
A. Lees	1,329	18	73.83
C. A. Whitcombe	1,774	24	73.91
A. H. Padgham	1,776	24	74.00
D. Curtis	1,332	18	74.00
E. Whitcombe	1,338	18	74.33
C. S. Denny	1,340	18	74.44
D. J. Rees	2,085	28	74.46
J. Adams	1,937	26	74.5
B. Gadd	1,780	24	74.54
P. Alliss	1,494	20	74.7
R. Burton	1,944	26	74.76
J. Burton	1,496	20	74.8
M. Faulkner	1,646	22	74.81
S. L. King	1,498	20	74.9
A. J. Lacey	1,798	24	74.91
Abe Mitchell	1,199	16	74.93
S. Easterbrook	1,649	22	74.95

EW O INDOOR BOWLING LEAGUE

The second tournament of the Ewo Indoor Bowling League will, it is hoped, start on February 1 and intending teams are requested to send in their entries as soon as possible.

Four men shall constitute a team and a club may enter any number of teams and all entries are to be sent to Mr. S. Lillierap, of the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys or to Mr. R. W. Skinner, manager of The Black Dog, Wanchai.

The proposed fight between Lou Nova and Max Baer will be staged at New York sometime in May, according to an announcement by Mike Jacobs, who will promote the contest.

Preston Will Meet Either Aston Villa Or Ipswich

F.A. Cup Fourth Round
Draw Made

PENSIONERS FOR FIFTH ROUND?

London, To-day.

Preston, holders of the F. A. Cup, will meet either Aston Villa, whom they beat in the Semi-Final Round last season, or Ipswich, the new Third Division club, in the Fourth Round of the Competition, which was drawn yesterday and which will take place on January 21.

Huddersfield, who were beaten by a penalty goal in the last minutes of extra time in last year's sensational final, have not yet played off their postponed Third Round tie with Notts Forest, but the winners of this tie will meet either Leeds or Bournemouth.

Chelsea, who caused a major upset last Saturday by defeating Arsenal away from home, by the odd goal in three, meet Fulham at home and stand an excellent chance of securing entry into the Fifth Round, while Sunderland, another of last year's semi-finalists, will meet the winners of the Middlesbrough v. Bolton tie.

The draw for the Fourth Round is as follows:

Notts County v. Walsall
Portsmouth v. West Bromwich or Manchester United.
Sheffield Wednesday or Yeovil and Petters v. Chester.
Middlesbrough or Bolton v. Sunderland.
Liverpool v. Stockport.
Wolverhampton v. Leicester or Stoke.
Everton v. Southport or Doncaster.
Blackburn v. Chesterfield or Southend.
Birmingham v. Chelmsford.
York or Millwall v. Grimsby or Tranmere.
Leeds or Bournemouth v. Huddersfield or Notts Forest.
Cardiff v. Newcastle.
Preston v. Aston Villa or Ipswich.
Chelsea v. Fulham.
West Ham v. Tottenham.
Sheffield United v. Norwich or Manchester City.—Reuter.

M.C.C. WIN QUITE EASILY

Eastern Provinces
Bat Badly

Port Elizabeth, To-day.

M.C.C. easily defeated Eastern Provinces here yesterday by an innings and 235 runs, outstanding feature being a double century by Leonard Hutton, who scored two sixes and reached the boundary on 23 occasions.

Ernest Paynter, the England and Lancashire left-handed batsman, was again in a scoring mood and just missed his century by one run, hitting three sixes and eight fours.

After Eastern Province had been dismissed for 172 in their first knock, M.C.C. declared at 518 for 6 and then dismissed the home side for 111.

Scores were:

Eastern Provinces: 172 (Coy 54 not out) and 111.
M.C.C.: 518 for 6 dec. (Hutton 202, Paynter 99, W. R. Hammond 52, H. T. Bartlett 38 not out).

Billiards Assn. Meeting Scene

MRS. McKELVIE CHOSEN FOR SOUTH AFRICAN TENNIS TOUR

Mrs. R. D. McKelvie, formerly Miss A. E. L. M'Ostrich, has been selected as an additional member of the British team for South Africa, and will act as chaperon.

The other members of the team are D. W. Butler, captain and manager; R. A. Shayer, E. J. Filby, Miss J. Saunders, Miss V. E. Scott, and Miss R. Thomas.

Mrs. McKelvie is captain of Middlesex, who won the women's inter-county championship this summer. She was included in the English ranking list for the first time this year. Previously she had been ranked No. 1 in Ireland, where she was born.



R.H.K.G.C. Junior Championship Draw

The following is the draw for the match play stages of the R.H.K.G.C. Junior Championship:—

1st Round.

J. W. Mayhew v. H. N. Williamson.
N. K. Littlejohn v. R. M. Henderson.
J. Forbes v. J. Harrop.
T. J. Price v. C. H. Burton.
L. M. Wylie v. J. L. C. Pearce.
C. M. Stark v. W. W. C. Shewan.
E. Faggiano v. T. F. R. Waters.
C. D. N. Walker v. J. S. Dunnett.

1st Round to be played on or before January 22. 2nd Round to be played on or before February 5. Semi-Final to be played on or before February 19. Final (36 holes) to be played on or before February 26.

Yorkshire's Threat Of Secession

QUESTIONS ABOUT FINANCE

(By AIR MAIL)

THREE-QUARTERS of a million billiards players in Yorkshire may break away from the Billiards Association and Control Council, the ruling body of the game, as a result of discussions, accompanied by unprecedented scenes, during the annual meeting of the Association in London.

Mr. John C. Bisset, chairman, who, it was revealed, had been appointed managing director of the B.A. and C.C. limited company, at a salary of £400 per annum, was subjected to considerable heckling from delegates.

He was endeavouring to explain why the finances of the company could not be discussed at an annual meeting; why the Association took over the "Billiard Player" (now official organ of the B.A. and C.C.); and why Mr. George Watson resigned his position as organising secretary.

The first storm arose when Mr. Bisset, dealing with a letter received from Mr. W. T. Rainbow, a Northern delegate, said that the meeting had no concern with the finances of the company.

CAME HERE TO SPEAK!

Mr. Rainbow—You cannot rule these questions out of order. I came here to speak, and I'm going to speak. (Cries of "Hear, hear," and "Speak up.")

Mr. W. G. Clifford, another delegate—I have been connected with Association for forty years, and I've never before heard a chairman rule finance out of order.

Mr. Rainbow (to Mr. Bisset)—You are only interested in finance when you want something from us. When we want to investigate questions we are stifled.

Later, on the proposition that the report should be adopted, Mr. Rainbow said: "The appointment of a managing director and the acquisition of the Billiard Player were two of the saddest things ever done by the Association. You have taken six months to get out a balance-sheet, and you hold this meeting in Christmas week."

"I hate to suggest it, but if it had been designed with the idea of getting the smallest possible attendance, it could not have been better chosen. The report says nothing about the appointment of a managing director."

QUESTION OF CONTROL

Viscount Castleragh, who had played for his University at billiards, said that he had had something to do with the control of boxing, which he found had a tendency to get into the hands of promoting interests. "Are we not liable to have this body getting into the hands of the trade in a similar way?" he declared.

Mr. Bisset said that he had been chairman for 13 years, and had always endeavoured to act in the best interests of the Association, and added—"As long as I draw breath I shall try to give everyone a fair crack of the whip."

The report was then passed by eleven votes to one, the Yorkshire representative voting against.

Later Mr. Bisset proceeded to read a letter from the Yorkshire Association, sent in the form of a resolution, asking for information as to the circumstances of the Association taking over the Billiard Player. A Yorkshire delegate intervened to ask whether it was the intention to put it as a resolution, and Mr. Bisset replied—"No."

MR. WATSON'S STATEMENT

"If that is your explanation," said the Yorkshire spokesman, "I can only repeat that we return to Yorkshire to advise our members to dissociate themselves from the Billiards Association and Control Council."

Mr. Bisset then read a verbatim report of a Council meeting at which he was appointed managing director at a salary of £400 per annum. Mr. Watson followed by saying that in the five years preceding his appointment as organising secretary the Association lost £915, and that in the first seven months of his appointment they had a profit of £264.

A Delegate—"This is organised opposition to the Council, and Mr. Watson is addressing the Press. I move that this meeting terminate."

Mr. Rainbow—"It will not be much longer before there is a resolution to terminate the B.A. and the C.C."

Mr. S. R. Mapplebeck, vice-chairman and founder of the Yorkshire Association, said to a reporter after the meeting: "Yorkshire are determined to break away from the B.A. and C.C. We shall consider the matter at a meeting next month. We want to get democratic control of billiards in this country."

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Macao Defeat Navy Officers At Hockey

Anderson, Kennedy And Steele-Perkins Shine For Losers: Almada's Fine Display Between Sticks

Exciting hockey was witnessed here this afternoon when the Royal Navy eleven, consisting of officers, met the first team of the Macao Hockey Club, but were defeated by 4 clear goals.

For Royal Navy, every player acquitted himself creditably, but major honours go to Anderson, left-winger, for his speed and accuracy, and to Kennedy, pivot, who showed extreme versatility throughout. Steele-Perkins' work in defence was pretty to watch.

Macao were, however, definitely the stronger team. Almada's custodianship was perfect. R. Rosario was thoroughly dependable at right-back, and P. Angelo excelled himself in the forward line.

Play was fast from the outset, Macao dominating the exchanges and keeping play well in the Navy territory for most of the time. Tension was at its height when the local forwards pierced Navy's defence, but Bolton, their custodian, anticipated trouble and cleared neatly.

Soon after, a thrust from Macao's right flank was made by Nolasco, outside-right. Albert Airosa, inside-right, was successful in evading Steele-Perkins and placed a beautiful shot which opened the scoring.

NAVY NEARLY SCORE

Navy fought back doggedly despite the reverse, and Webster, their outside-left, was particularly skilful in getting past J. Nolasco, and Rosario and sent in what looked a perfect shot and a certain goal, but Almada, Macao's custodian, deflected it brilliantly with his right hand.

Kennedy, the Navy's pivot, was splendid in his timely interception as well as his distribution and inspired the defence throughout. However, as play progressed a concerted rush by P. Angelo, centre-forward, and his inside-left H. Rosario, enabled the former to drive a fast shot between the Navy's goal posts. Navy's forwards pressed hard and a fine centre by Miller, their outside right, saw Anderson, all but secure a goal. Almada was in brilliant form and was equal to the best shots by Navy's forwards, intercepting three shots in quick succession before the interval.

MACAO SUPERB

Upon the resumption, exchanges were fairly even and the Navy held their own for some considerable time.

Macao were superb in individual play. A smart breakaway however, enabled P. Angelo, centre-forward, to register a neat goal placing Macao three goals in the lead. Macao was again successful shortly afterwards, scoring off a short corner two minutes before the close of play.

Alex Airosa, their pivot, was definitely off-form and never seemed to reach his usual standard, while Costa, at left-half, did more than his share of work in the half-back line.—Our Own Correspondent.

MISS LUMB'S U.S. SQUASH WIN

Atlantic City, N.J.—Miss Margot Lumb, the British lawn tennis and squash racket player, won the Atlantic Coast women's squash championship when she defeated Miss Anne Page, of Philadelphia, 15-8, 15-8, 15-11, in the final here. Miss Page had won the tournament for the past five years.

AUSTRALIANS SIGN 100,000 AUTOGRAPHS

Australian Board Seeking To End Nuisance

Melbourne, (By AIR MAIL).—The Australian Cricket Board of Control has decided to write to the M.C.C. suggesting that a solution should be found to the autograph nuisance, which affects first-class touring teams.

It is pointed out that it is necessary to take care not to offend genuine collectors, or to hurt charity organisations which benefit from sales of autographs, but it is essential to restrict the numbers given, in view of the embarrassment which is caused everywhere by importunate demands.

Mr. Jeanes, the manager of the Australian team which toured Great Britain this summer, reported that more than 100,000 signatures were given during the tour, involving a loss of leisure and an interruption of the time-table.

AYRSHIRE PROFESSIONAL'S APPOINTMENT

R. A. McMillan, of Western Gailes, has been appointed playing assistant to Harborne Manor Club, and will take up his duties early this year. McMillan has acted as professional at Western Gailes for the past four years, and previous to that served his apprenticeship at Troon under Duncan McCulloch, the well-known Scottish professional. Harborne Manor Club has a membership of 600, and is one of the largest clubs in the Midlands of England. The course is situated on the outskirts of Birmingham, and only a few miles from the Robin Hood Club, where McMillan's brother, Jack, is professional.



Members of the Torquay United F.C. often train in novel surroundings. They keep fit on the beach at Babbacombe and their trainer encourages them to "paddle" as he says it is good for the feet. Photo shows—Trainer Jones giving advice to the team on the novel gallery, on the beach at Babbacombe. (Copyright, Fox).

Services Beat S.R.U.F.C. In Mud-Caked Battle

CLUB PACK'S MAGNIFICENT SECOND HALF STAND

Shanghai, January 4. **DESPITE** the inclement weather which was miserable enough to dampen the ardour of the most enthusiastic supporter, a crowd of well over 1,500 attended the Canidrome yesterday afternoon to see a fighting Shanghai side unluckily go down to the Combined Services XV after having far more of the play, especially in the second half, when they enjoyed quite a 90 per cent. territorial advantage.

After a most interesting game, in which both sides demonstrated in no uncertain manner how Rugby football should be played on a slippery, slime-caked pitch, the Combined Forces emerged as muddy victors by one goal and two tries (11 points) to two tries (6 points). The Servicemen took their opportunities in the first half, which was about even, and scored on three occasions, thereafter to be held pointless by a team that appeared to be infused with a new lease on life after the interval.

Indeed, the many spectators present were agreeably surprised by the manner in which the Club went about its work after half-time, the forwards, all of whom put in tons of hard work, easily having the better of the opposing pack which, on paper, was thought to be about the strongest selected in Shanghai this season.

A. M. Kennedy led his men well in this back-breaking task, and as no-side approached, the civilians were securing the ball from scrums, wheeling and taking with regularity to confuse utterly the Forces. Even when the Services did get possession—and they did this fairly often, let it be said—their members were nailed before they could do any damage by a bunch of forwards who fought like demons.

It is not to be imagined, however, that the Forces were out of the picture. Far from it. Individually, certain of their players were outstanding, and as a team, they battled every inch of the way, but under the hammering they

received at the hands of the Clubs' pack in the second half, they could make little headway and all their efforts came to nil. Nevertheless, their excellent work in the first half had done the damage, and although the Club put their best foot forward to make up the leeway, they found it a little too much and retired defeated but far from disgraced.

FILTHY CONDITIONS

The conditions were absolutely filthy and under these circumstances, the forwards very correctly took charge of the greater part of the proceedings, and a wonderful struggle was witnessed between two excellent packs.

Mills put in a terrific amount of hard work at stand-off for the Club and was responsible for opening up the game on the few occasions possible, while his opposite number, Spittle, was prominent in numerous breakaways in the first half. His defence too was excellent.

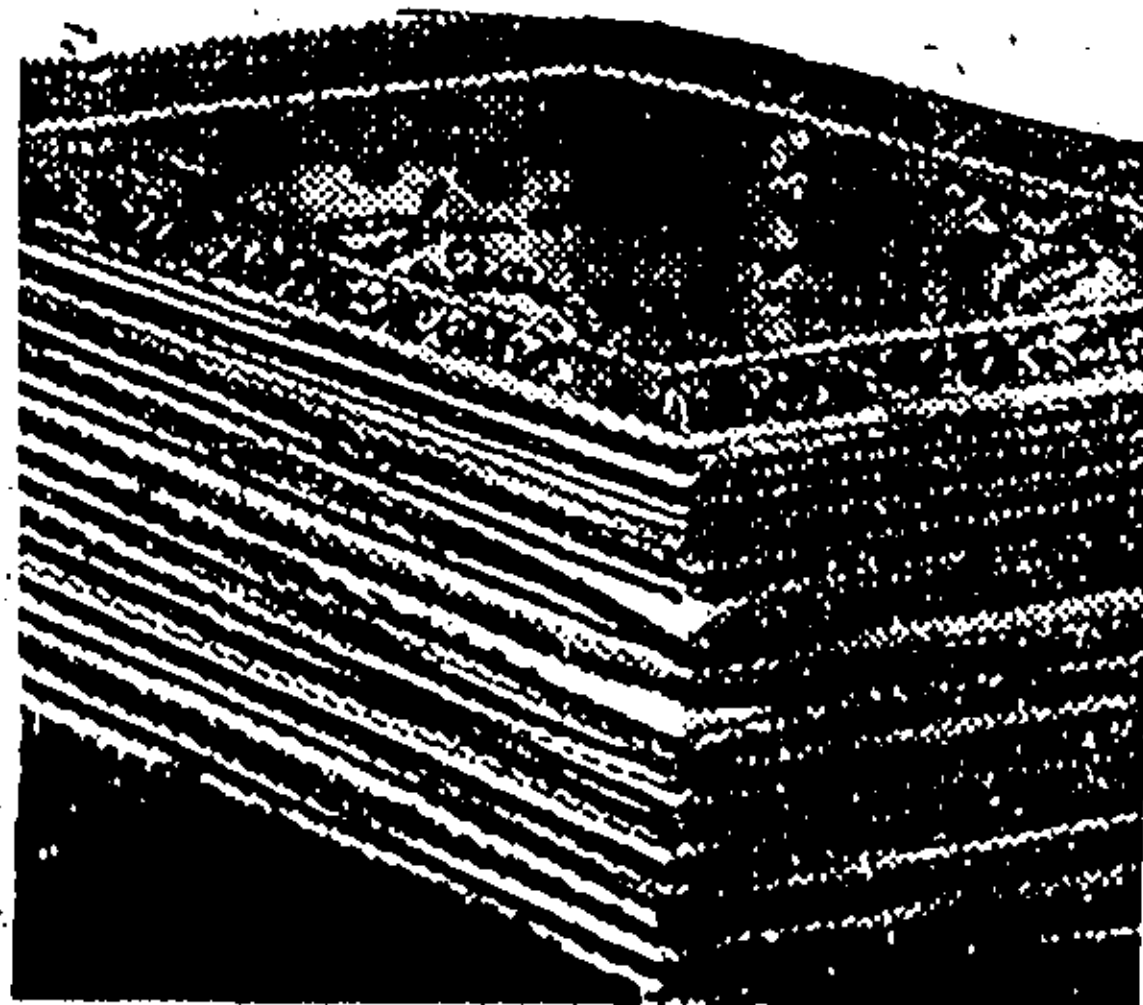
Kerich was a little too quick for Bassett and smothered most of the latter's attempts to get his backs moving. Stourbe and G. H. Reynolds had a rare battle hooking against each other, with the newcomer to the Club getting far from the worst of the argument.

Wallis led his pack well and was ably supported by Culmer, Evans, Carrell and Henley, while the pick of the Club's forwards were Kennedy, R. U. Reynolds, Warner and Pearson.

Combined Forces XV:—Sgt. Chief Got; Sgt. Pelegry, Sgt. Sahonnet, Sub-Lieut. Yeo, Lieut. Hill; Lieut. Kerich, Lieut. Spittle; Lieut. I. A. McLaglen, Pte. Stourbe, Lieut. Savage, Lieut. Wallis, Sub-Lieut. Culmer, Signaller Evans, Dr. Carrel and Midshipman Henley.

Shanghai R.U.F.C. 1st XV:—A. G. White; I. M. Hutchison, I. F. Aucott, A. P. M. Kennedy, J. W. M. Martin; G. M. Mills, T. R. Bassett; R. P. J. Stewart, R. U. Reynolds, J. R. M. Warner, A. M. Kennedy, G. G. Brown, R. A. O. Mayne, G. H. Reynolds and W. D. Pearson. Referee: Mr. E. M. McLaren.

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Ravini's Serenade (Ravini); Automne (Chaminade)..... Leslie Jeffries & His Orchestra.

When I Bring to You Colour'd Toys (from "Gitanjali"); Light, My Light (from "Gitanjali")..... Rose Bampton (Contralto) with Piano accomp. by Wilfred Pelletier.

Evensong (Easthope Martin); The Swan (Saint-Saens)..... Leslie Jeffries & His Orchestra.

Swans (A. Walter Kramer)..... Rose Bampton (Contralto) with Piano accomp. by Wilfred Pelletier.

Dance Of The Icicles (from Suite "The Wooing of the Snowflakes"—Kennedy Russell); The Frolicsome Hare (Ashworth Hope)..... Leslie Jeffries & His Orchestra.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 3. Intro: Across the great divide; The night is young and you're so beautiful; Boo-hoo; The Coronation Waltz; I'm still in love with you; Delyse.

Kunz Revivals No. 1. Intro: If you could care for me; Kiss me again; Bitter-Sweet; Some of these days; With a song in my heart; Night and Day.

1.15 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcement.

1.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—May All Your Troubles Be Little Ones (film "She shall have Music"); My First Thrill (film "She shall have music")..... Jack Hylton's Orchestra with vocal refrain.

Fox-Trot—A Little Bit Independent

....Carroll Gibbons & The Savoy Hotel Orpheans with vocal chorus.

1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. Speaker: Mr. K. Joelson. Subject "By Foot from Canton to Hong Kong".

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) I hadn't anyone till you; (b) Four or five times; (c) You're not the kind; (d) There's frost on the moon.

6.14 p.m.—Record: Teddy Bears' Picnic (Bratton); Mighty Lak' A Rose (Nevin)..... Frank Bifo and His Brass Quintette.

6.21 p.m.—(a) Spell of a Voo-doo Drum; (b) Waddlin' at the Waldorf; (c) Taint Good; (d) That foolish feeling.

6.35 p.m.—Records: Palace Theatre Medley.....Reginald Foort (Organ) Sweet And Lovely (Tobias & Lemare).....Raie da Costa (Piano).

6.44 p.m.—(a) Penthouse on 3rd Avenue; (b) Oh! Boom!; (c) Night over Shanghai; (d) East Side Kick.

7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—Sea Shanties.

Haul Away, Joe; What Shall We Do With The Drunken Sailor (arr. Terry); Fire Down Below; Hulla-balloo Balay (Harris); Sally Brown; Hanging Johnny; Whisky Johnny (arr. Terry); The Sailor Likes His Bottle-O; Clear The Track, Let The Bullgine Run (arr. Terry).....John Goss (Baritone)

And Cathedral Male Voice Quartet with Piano accomp.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Arctic Excursion" by E. A. Harding. The diary of a journey through Lapland from Rovaniemi to Petsamo, illustrated with records made within the Arctic Circle last summer, with the help of the recording unit of the Finnish Broadcasting Company.

7.55 p.m.—Orchestral. Doubinushka (arr. Rimsky-Korsakov).....London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Geo. Pio-Ulski's String Orchestra.

1. Mihaly Czardas (De Maurizi); 2. Loyalty Waltz (Blanke).

Interval

Gypsy Songs (Brahms—Op. 103)

....The Madrigal Singers cond. by Lehman Engel with D. Everett Roubush at the Piano.

3. Gypsy Potpourri (arr. Pio-Ulski); 4. Magyar Ver—March (De Maurizi);

Interval

Manola (film "Always, when I am Happy"); A Longing Fiercely

Burns Me (film "Always when I am Happy"); Vienna, Where The

Waltz Was Born (film "Always when I am Happy").....Marta Eggerth (Soprano) with Orches-

tra (Sung in German).

5. Himmelsfunken—Waltz (Waldteufel).

6. Na Ukraine (Prisowski); 7. Rapsodie Roumaine (De Maurizi);

9 p.m.—Songs by Michael Bertlett (Tenor).

My Heart Will Be Dancing (film "Lilac Domino"); You Are My Love

Song (film "Lilac Domino"); Parlez-Moi D'Amour (As sung in Film "She Married Her Boss").

....With Orchestra.

9.12 p.m.—Light Opera.

"Ruddigore"—Selection (Sullivan, arr. Winterbottom).....The Band

11 p.m.—Close down.

Of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. J. C. Windram.

"Countess Maritza"—Selection (Kallman).... Grand Symphony Orchestra with Ilse Wald (Soprano) and Hans Clemens (Tenor) (Sung in German).

"Florodora"—Selection (Stuart)..... The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. R. G. Evans.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—A Concert of Weber's Music.

Euryanthe—Overture..... Willem Mengelberg & His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

Sonata No. 3 in D.... Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano.

Clarinet Concerto No. 1.....Garde Republicaine Band of France.

Andantino (from "Konzertstück")..... Emanuel Feuermann (Cello) with Gerald Moore at the Piano.

"Der Freischutz"—Potpourri.....Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

10.20 p.m.—London Relay—"This Racing Business". 2—"Riding Races". A talk by Captain Eric Rickman and a Jockey.

10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.

Quick-Step—There's No Time Like

The Present (film "Music Hath Charms"); Fox-Trot—Just Little

Bits And Pieces (film "Music Hath Charms").....The B.B.C. Dance Or-

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Fox-Trot—The Music Goes 'Round

And Round; Novelty Fox-Trot—The Broken Record....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall. With Vocal Chorus.

Fox-Trots—I'm Shooting High (film "King of Burlesque"); Lights Out

....Little Jack Little and His Or-

chestra. With Vocal Chorus.

Fox-Trot—Cling To Me; Slow Fox-

Trot—With All My Heart (film "Her Master's Voice").....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall. With Vocal Chorus.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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♥ 6 5 4 3 2
♦ Q J 2
♣ Q 8
♠ 3 4 2
♥ A K Q J
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 8
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♠ A J
♥ 7
♦ A K 10 8 7 6
♣ K J 6 4

The bidding:
West North East South
1K2 Pass 1 Pass Dbl.
Pass 1NT Pass 3♦
Pass 4♦ Pass 5♦
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

South certainly overbid his hand, but his play made up for it. West opened the King of hearts, and when East, for some reason or other gave him the nine-spot, con-

tinued the suit. Declarer trumped and played a low club to dummy's Queen, which was allowed to hold. A third heart was now ruffed and the King of clubs laid down. West won with the Ace and now all too late made the shift to a spade. Declarer won with the Ace, cashed the Jack of clubs, ruffed the five of clubs with dummy's Jack of trumps, ruffed another heart high in his own hand, played the Ace and a small trump, winning with dummy's Queen, and now discarded his one losing spade on dummy's thirteenth heart, thereby making the contract.

The hand was lucky. It required a 4-3 heart break and a 2-2 trump break, plus a bad defensive play by the opponents. Even in view of East's silly play of the nine to the first heart lead, there was still no earthly reason for West to continue the suit. Let's even suppose that East held a singleton heart and Declarer had been so foolish as to contract for game in diamonds with three losing hearts. Dummy's cards were so completely worthless that there wasn't even the vaguest possibility of Declarer being able to shed any losing hearts.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"Men With Wings," with Fred Mac Murray, Ray Milland, Louise Campbell, Lynne Overman, Andy Devine, Porter Hall. The picture traces the history of aviation from the dawn of the twentieth century, when the Wright

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FISHERY SALE AGGRAVATES TOKYO-MOSCOW TENSION

Tokyo, To-day.

In the course of the negotiations concerning Japan's fishing rights in the Bering Sea, the Sea of Okhotsk and the Sea of Japan, between the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Litvinoff, and the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Togo, the former informed the Ambassador, according to the semi-official news agency, that all fishing grounds hitherto in possession of Japan would be put up for auction during February.

The news agency states that the Ambassador repeatedly called M. Litvinoff's attention to the fact that Moscow's attitude flagrantly contradicted Japan's guaranteed Treaty rights.

M. Litvinoff's remarks that the sale by auction of the fishing grounds need not interfere with continuation of the negotiations, elicited the reply from the Ambassador that Moscow must bear full responsibility for the eventual breakdown of the negotiations and for aggravation of the tension between Japan and the Soviet. — Trans-Ocean.

Mrs. Churchill of No. 6 Aigburth Hall, was this morning fined \$5 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central

PRAGUE-BUCHAREST RAILWAY

Bucharest, To-day.

A direct train service between Prague and Bucharest via the Carpatho-Ukrainian capital Chust should, according to an agreement, have been opened yesterday. Under the terms of the Vienna arbitration award Hungary had consented to trains passing through Hungarian territory but already on Sunday all railway traffic was suspended between Halmaj and Ardov thereby rendering the through service between Czechoslovakia and Rumania impossible.

Since the north-eastern Rumanian district of Maramros Szigeth is particularly affected by the decision of the Hungarian Government, the Rumanian Minister has been instructed to lodge a protest in Budapest. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH PLANE CRASH

Paris, To-day.

A French military plane with three officers and one soldier aboard crashed over the aerodrome of Clomb Bechar, North Africa yesterday. Two officers were killed instantaneously while the two other occupants were seriously injured. — Trans-Ocean.

Magistracy when summoned for leaving her car unattended in Pedder Street on December 28.

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The police took them into custody on the charge of obstructing traffic. Several priests were also arrested on the charge of carrying on anti-revolutionary propaganda.

The leading paper "Pravda" publishes a number of reports from the provinces asserting that the "churchgoers manifested hostility to the Party."

It would appear, however, that these manifestations were not confined to churchgoers on Christmas day but have been going on for some time past since the paper brings a report from Udmurtien that a "group of anti-revolutionaries have been unmasked who, under the pretext of religion, were conspiring against the State."

The report adds that this group which was led by a certain Chistyakov has been "liquidated."

The paper in the editorial draws the conclusion that "these and similar crimes prove a connection between the worst enemies of the people and the churchgoers."

The latter are accused by the paper of misusing their religion in order to obtain news to deliver to their foreign employers and of having relations with Trotskyist and Bucharinist circles. The only means of ridding the Soviet Union of these enemies of the people, concludes the paper, is to pitilessly exterminate them. — Trans-Ocean.

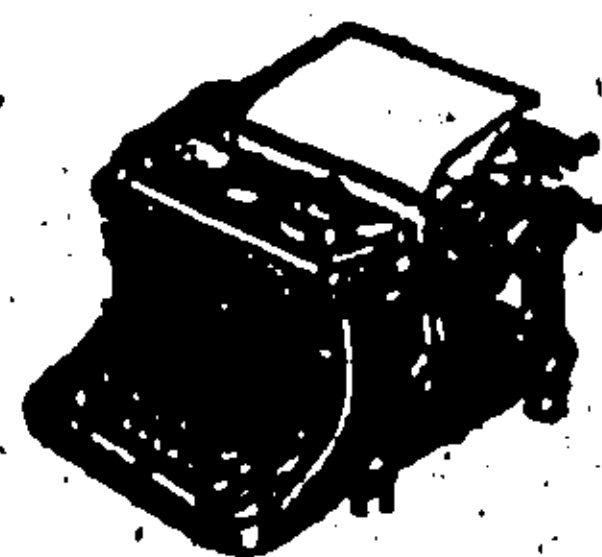
WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has merged into a fresh anticyclone which has developed over China. Pressure is now highest to the north of the Yangtse Valley.

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